

Auditing Procedures Report  Issued under P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended.								
Local Government Type  City  Township  Village  COUNTY  COUNTY	MICHIGAN	County A	LPENA					
Audit Date         Opinion Date         Date Accountant Report Submit           12-31-04         5-31-05         6-23-05								
We have audited the financial statements of this local unit of government and rendered accordance with the Statements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Financial Statements for Counties and Local Units of Government in Michigan by the Mich	d an opinion on (GASB) and th	e Uniform Rep	nents prepared in orting Format for					
We affirm that:								
1. We have complied with the Bulletin for the Audits of Local Units of Government in Mic	cnigan as revise	ea.						
2. We are certified public accountants registered to practice in Michigan.								
We further affirm the following. "Yes" responses have been disclosed in the financial state comments and recommendations	ements, includir	ng the notes, or i	n the report of					
You must check the applicable box for each item below.								
Yes X No 1. Certain component units/funds/agencies of the local unit are exc	luded from the t	financial statem	ents.					
Yes No 2. There are accumulated deficits in one or more of this unit's un 275 of 1980).	nreserved fund	balances/retaine	ed earnings (P.A.					
Yes X No 3. There are instances of non-compliance with the Uniform Accompliance with the Uniform	ounting and Bu	dgeting Act (P.	A. 2 of 1968, as					
Yes X No 4. The local unit has violated the conditions of either an order requirements, or an order issued under the Emergency Municipal		he Municipal Fi	nance Act or its					
Yes X No 5. The local unit holds deposits/investments which do not comply as amended [MCL 129.91], or P.A. 55 of 1982, as amended [MCL 129.91]		requirements. (	P.A. 20 of 1943,					
Yes X No 6. The local unit has been delinquent in distributing tax revenues th	at were collecte	ed for another ta	xing unit.					
The local unit has violated the Constitutional requirement (Article Yes X No 7. pension benefits (normal costs) in the current year. If the plan credits are more than the normal cost requirement, no contribution	is more than 10	00% funded and	the overfunding					
Yes $\overline{\mathbb{X}}$ No 8. The local unit uses credit cards and has not adopted an app (MCL 129.241).	olicable policy a	s required by F	P.A. 266 of 1995					
Yes X No 9. The local unit has not adopted an investment policy as required by	by P.A. 196 of 1	997 (MCL 129.9	95).					
We have enclosed the following:	Enclosed	To Be Forwarded	Not Required					
The letter of comments and recommendations.	X							
Reports on individual federal financial assistance programs (program audits).			Х					
Single Audit Reports (ASLGU).		Х						
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Population (2000 Census) - 31,314

2004 Taxable Value - \$1,052,100,279

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

# To the Board of Commissioners Alpena County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of **Alpena County, Michigan**, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of Alpena County, Michigan. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Alpena General Hospital, representing 66% of the assets and 87% of the activities of the discretely presented component units and the Alpena County Road Commission, representing 31% of the assets and 4% of the activities of the discretely presented component units. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion. insofar as it related to the amounts included for the Alpena General Hospital and the Alpena County Road Commission, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit and the report of other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of **Alpena County, Michigan** as of December 31, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for each major fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated May 31, 2005 on our consideration of **Alpena County's** internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the Unites States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise **Alpena County's** basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of **Alpena County's** basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly presented, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Straley, Ilsley & Lamp P.C.

May 31, 2005

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the County of Alpena, we offer readers of the County of Alpena's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the County of Alpena for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The assets of the County of Alpena exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$24,226,963 (*net assets*). Of this amount, \$12,323,486 (*unrestricted net assets*) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The County of Alpena's total net assets increased by \$1,888,649. This was the result of an increase in the net assets of governmental activities of \$1,815,669 and in the net assets of business-type activities of \$72,980.
- The County of Alpena provided services of \$14,018,924 in governmental activities and \$265,511 of business-type activities for expenses totaling \$14,284,435 during the year ended December 31, 2004.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$828,702 or 11 percent of total general fund expenditures and operating transfers to other funds in comparison to \$1,079,603 at the close of the prior year, a reduction of \$250,901.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the County of Alpena's basic financial statements. The County of Alpena's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-wide financial statements.** The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the County of Alpena's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of the County of Alpena's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the County of Alpena is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the County of Alpena that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the County of Alpena include legislative, judicial, general government, public safety, public works, health and welfare, community and economic development, recreation and cultural, and other. The business-type activities of the County of Alpena include the Delinquent Tax Payment Fund.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The government-wide financial statements include not only the County of Alpena itself (known as the *primary government*), but also the Alpena General Hospital, the Alpena County Road Commission, and several Multicounty agencies for which the County of Alpena is financially accountable. Financial information for these *component units* is reported separately from the financial information presented for the primary government itself. The County of Alpena Building Authority, although also legally separate, functions for all practical purposes as a department of the County of Alpena, and therefore has been included as an integral part of the primary government.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 13-15 of this report.

**Fund financial statements.** A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The County of Alpena, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the County of Alpena can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The County of Alpena maintains thirty-one individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, Airport, Ambulance, Housing, Library, Alpena General Hospital Capital Project, and Building Authority funds, all of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other twenty-four governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of *combining statements* elsewhere in this report.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 16-23 of this report.

**Proprietary funds.** The County of Alpena maintains two different types of proprietary funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The County of Alpena uses enterprise funds to account for its Delinquent Tax Payment fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the County of Alpena's various functions. The County of Alpena uses internal service funds to account for its building and grounds maintenance. Because these services predominantly benefit governmental rather than business-type functions, they have been included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the Delinquent Tax Payment fund, which is considered to be a major fund of the County of Alpena. Conversely, the internal service fund is a single presentation in the proprietary fund financial statements.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 24-26 of this report.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support the County of Alpena's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on page 27 of this report.

**Notes to the financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 32-54.

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the County of Alpena's general and major governmental funds' budget comparisons. Required supplementary information can be found on pages 55-59 of this report.

Combining and individual fund statements and schedules can be found on pages 60-86 of this report.

#### **Government-wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the County of Alpena, assets exceeded liabilities by \$24,226,963 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

The largest portion of the County of Alpena's net assets \$12,323,486 (51 percent) reflects its (unrestricted net assets) which represents funds available to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. The investment in capital assets \$9,168,507 (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The County of Alpena uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the County of Alpena's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

#### **COUNTY OF ALPENA'S, Net Assets**

	Governmental Activities		Business-ty	pe activities	Total		
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	
Current and other assets	\$13,392,531	\$13,212,356	\$8,843,328	\$ 8,790,409	\$22,235,859	\$22,002,765	
Capital assets	13,825,979	12,583,734		<del>-</del>	13,825,979	12,583,734	
Total assets	27,218,510	25,796,090	8,843,328	8,790,409	36,061,838	34,586,499	
Current liabilities	6,933,148	6,629,022	8,006	28,067	6,941,154	6,657,089	
Noncurrent liabilities	4,893,721	5,591,096	-		4,893,721	5,591,096	
Total liabilities	11,826,869	12,220,118	8,006	28,067	11,834,875	12,248,185	
Net assets:							
Invested in capital assets,							
net of related debt	9,168,507	7,309,711	-	-	9,168,507	7,309,711	
Restricted	2,734,970	3,486,713	-	-	2,734,970	3,486,713	
Unrestricted	3,488,164	2,779,548	8,835,322	8,762,342	12,323,486	11,541,890	
	\$15,391,641	\$13,575,972	\$8,835,322	\$ 8,762,342	\$24,226,963	\$22,338,314	

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

An additional portion of the County of Alpena's net assets \$2,734,970 (11 percent) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the County of Alpena is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net assets, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities. The same situation held true for the prior fiscal year.

The government's net assets increased by \$1,888,649 during the current year. This was the result of Governmental activities ongoing revenues outstripping similar increases in ongoing expenses by \$1,815,669. Business-type activities experienced a small increase of \$72,980 in net assets during the current fiscal year.

#### **COUNTY OF ALPENA'S, Changes in Net Assets**

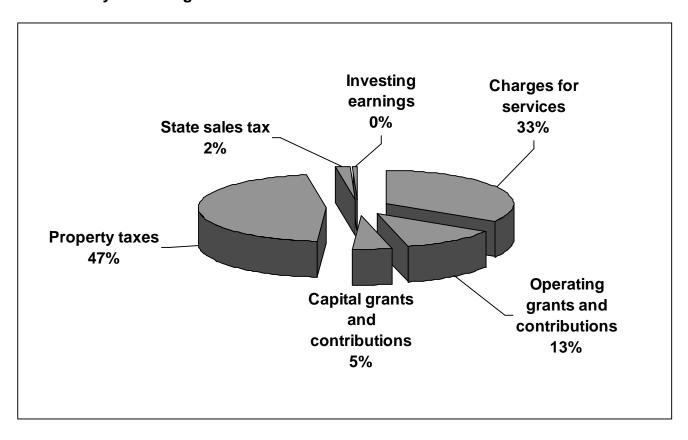
	Governmen	tal Activities	Business-t	ype activities	Total		
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	
Revenues:							
Program revenues:							
Charges for services	\$ 5,214,797	\$ 5,992,607	\$ 513,809	\$ 420,695	\$ 5,728,606	\$ 6,413,302	
Operating grants	1,969,191	2,387,527	-	-	1,969,191	2,387,527	
Capital grants	783,177	-	-	-	783,177	-	
General revenues:							
Property taxes	7,209,445	5,974,295	-	-	7,209,445	5,974,295	
State sales tax	331,629	744,728	-	-	331,629	744,728	
Investing earnings	68,610	53,340	82,426	94,794	151,036	148,134	
Transfers	257,744	274,591	(257,744)	(274,591)		294,051	
Total revenues and transfers	15,834,593	15,427,088	338,491	240,898	16,173,084	15,667,986	
Expenses:							
Legislative	169,651	178,858	-	-	169,651	178,858	
Judicial	1,364,466	1,477,914	-	-	1,364,466	1,477,914	
General government	2,939,802	2,783,201	-	-	2,939,802	2,783,201	
Public safety	3,726,926	3,697,853	-	-	3,726,926	3,697,853	
Public works	666	963	-	-	666	963	
Health and welfare	3,240,581	2,356,145	-	-	3,240,581	2,356,145	
Economic development	16,995	20,083	-	-	16,995	20,083	
Recreation and cultural	2,012,294	3,344,132	-	-	2,012,294	3,344,132	
Other	317,603	380,757	-	-	317,603	380,757	
Interest on long-term debt	229,940	261,250	-	-	229,940	261,250	
Delinquent tax fund	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>	265,511	72,086	265,511	72,086	
Total Expenses	14,018,924	14,501,156	265,511	72,086	14,284,435	14,573,242	
Change in net assets	1,815,669	925,932	72,980	168,812	1,888,649	1,094,744	
Net assets - beginning of year	13,575,972	12,650,040	8,762,342	8,593,530	22,338,314	21,243,570	
Net assets - end of the year	\$15,391,641	\$13,575,972	\$8,835,322	\$ 8,762,342	\$24,226,963	\$22,338,314	

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Governmental activities.

The following chart depicts revenues of the governmental activities for the year ended December 31, 2004:

#### Revenues by source - governmental activities.



In total, 2004 governmental activities revenues increased by \$407,505 over 2003 revenues. This net increase reflects increases in property tax revenue (primarily an accounting change), and small increases in grant revenues, and investment earnings revenue. These increases offset a decrease in state sales tax revenue and a decrease in charges for services as a result of a return of appropriations from the component unit court systems in 2003.

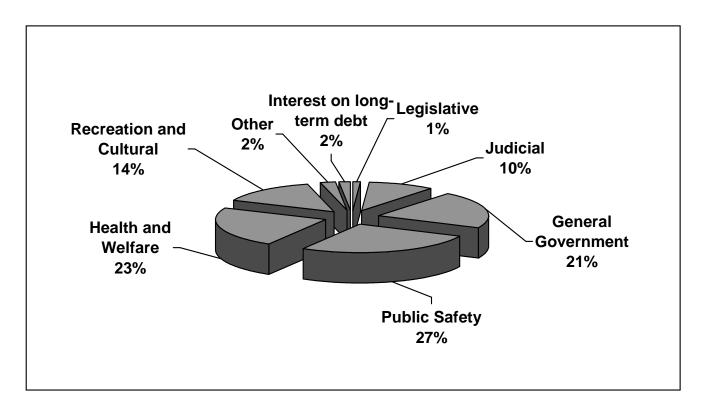
Property tax revenue, which is not assigned to any particular activity, remains the largest support for governmental activities at 47%. Property taxes increased by \$1,235,150 (20.7 percent) during the year of which \$1,067,671 came about because of accelerated revenue recognition pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004 that required the County to establish a restricted fund, the Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund, and place one-third of the County's December 2004 property tax levy in the fund. Ultimately, after December 2006, a total of three payments will be placed in the fund to provide a funding mechanism to serve as a substitute for state revenue sharing. The balance of the increase is a result of increase taxable values to \$1,052,100,279 from \$971,593,794.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The charge for services revenue, which reimburses the County for specific activities, is the second largest source of governmental activity revenue at 33%. The \$5,214,797 earned in 2004 represents a decrease of \$777,810 over 2003. The decrease is a result of \$1,046,148 in private contributions received in 2003 to fund the construction of the Northern Lights Arena.

Property taxes and charges for services account for over 80% of the governmental activities revenue sources.

## **Expenses by function/program - governmental activities.**



Total governmental activity expenses decreased in 2004 by \$482,232 over 2003 expenses. The largest reduction occurred in the recreation and culture activity which had a reduction of \$1,331,838 as a result of 2003 expenses for the construction of the Northern Lights Arena. For the most part, other activities experienced an increase in expenses that closely paralleled inflation and growth in the demand for services. Alpena County continues to attempt to make reductions in expenditures to match the reductions in state shared revenue.

Public safety continues to be the largest governmental activity, expending \$3,726,926 of the \$14,284,435 total (26.1%). Health and welfare expenses are the second largest category at \$3,240,581 (23.1%). General government expenses are the third largest category at \$2,939,802 (20.9%). Over seventy per cent of the 2004 governmental activity expenses are a result of these three activities.

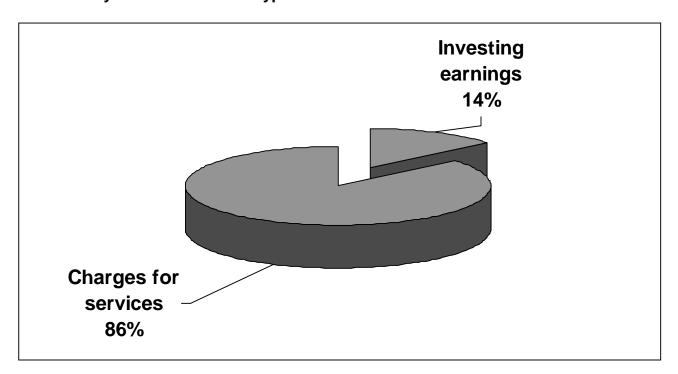
#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**Business-type activities.** The Delinquent Tax Payment Fund continues to provide local units within the County payment for their delinquent real property taxes. The operation of this fund continues to be a source of revenue to the County. In 2004 \$257,744 was able to be transferred as an appropriation by the County of Alpena General Fund.

#### **COUNTY OF ALPENA'S, Cost of Services - Business-type Activities**

	Total Cost of Services		Program Revenues	Net Cost of Services		
Functions/Programs: Delinquent Tax Revolving	\$	265,511	\$ 513,809	\$	(248,298)	
Total expenses	\$	265,511	\$ 513,809	\$	(248,298)	

# Revenues by source - business type activities.



#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the County of Alpena uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of the County of Alpena's governmental funds is to provide information on nearterm inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the County of Alpena's financing requirements. In particular unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the County of Alpena's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$4,178,213 a decrease of \$132,744 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 87% of this total amount (\$3,639,014) constitutes *unreserved fund balance*, which is available for spending at the government's discretion. The remainder of fund balance is *reserved* to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has already been committed 1) to pay debt service (\$138,703), 2) for future capital outlay (\$390,549).

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the County of Alpena. At the end of the current fiscal year, the fund balance of the general fund was \$967,034, of which \$828,702 was unreserved. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare unreserved fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represented 11% of total general fund expenditures and operating transfers to other funds.

The fund balance of the County of Alpena's general fund decreased by \$250,901 during the current fiscal year. Key factors are as follows:

- An overall reduction of revenue of (\$325,216). The sales tax received from the State of Michigan was reduced by (\$413,099), along with other decreases of state grant funding of (\$569,847) received from the State of Michigan. These decreases were partially offset by an increase of \$521,589 in federal grant funding.
- The expenditures and transfers out of the general fund increased by \$2,606. The majority of the increase was due to an increase in general government and public safety expenditures, offset by expenditure reductions in legislative, judicial, health and welfare and transfers out.

The debt service funds have a total fund balance of \$138,703, all of which is reserved for the payment of future liabilities of compensated absences.

**Proprietary funds.** The County of Alpena's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net assets of the Delinquent Tax Revolving fund at the end of the year amounted to \$8,835,322. The change in net assets for the funds was \$72,980. Other factors concerning, the finances of these funds have already been addressed in the discussion of the County of Alpena's business-type activities.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital assets.** The County of Alpena's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business type activities as of December 31, 2004, amounts to \$13,825,979 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, land improvements, building and improvements, machinery and equipment and infrastructure.

#### **COUNTY OF ALPENA'S, Capital Assets**

	Governmen	tal Activit	ies
	2004		2003
Historical cost:	 _		_
Land	\$ 172,984	\$	129,484
Land improvements	2,127,711		1,700,000
Buildings and improvements	14,348,195		13,415,445
Office and computer equipment	550,335		450,132
Vehicles	 1,380,312		1,045,723
	 18,579,537		16,740,784
Accumulated depreciation:			
Land improvements	(460,463)		(396,667)
Buildings and improvements	(3,537,035)		(3,163,286)
Office and computer equipment	(178,536)		(91,316)
Vehicles	 (577,524)		(505,781)
	 (4,753,558)		(4,157,050)
Net Capital Assets	\$ 13,825,979	\$	12,583,734

**Long-term debt.** At the end of the current fiscal year, the County of Alpena had total debt outstanding of \$4,893,721. Of this amount \$4,325,104 comprises general obligation bonded debt backed by the full faith and credit of the County. The County also has installment purchase agreement obligations of \$332,368 for the purchase of equipment. The balance of debt represents future compensated absences of \$236,249.

#### **COUNTY OF ALPENA'S, Outstanding Debt, Bonds and Loans**

	Governmental Activities					
	-	2004	2003			
General obligation bonds	\$	1,165,000	\$	1,500,000		
Building authority bonds		3,160,104		3,295,000		
Installment purchase agreements		332,368		479,023		
Compensated absences		236,249		317,073		
	\$	4,893,721	\$	5,591,096		

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **Economic Factors and Next Years Budget and Rates**

In preparing the County's 2006 Budget and future budgets, the following factors are creating strains on revenues and increase expenses for the next five fiscal periods:

- Two Michigan constitutional laws that limit property tax to the rate of inflation or a maximum allowable increase of 5%, whichever is less. For 2004 Budget that number was 1.5% and the 2005 Budget it was 2.3%. In developing the 2006 Budget, it remains flat at 2.3%.
- The State of Michigan in dealing with their budget shortfalls dropped State revenue sharing to Counties effective October 1, 2004. \$150,000 of our General Fund Balance reduction for 2004 was the result of this new law. For fiscal years 2005, 2006 and 2007, one third of the counties general tax revenue each year is required to be reserved in a special revenue fund. Which annually the County may make use of amounts equal to our 2003/04 State revenues sharing payments adjusted for inflation each year.
- This special revenue fund will be spending down to zero by June 2010. The lost of State revenue sharing will impact the 2006 and 2007 Budgets by \$200,000 each year. Then in 2008 that number will climb to \$400,000 or more a year until 2010.
- The State of Michigan continues raiding funds from PILT (payment in lieu of taxes) for the DNR and other funds to balance their budget, further reducing revenues returned to the County.
- The County must be committed to maintain a General Fund Balance of 10% to the idea Fund Balance of 16.7%.
- The County annually, must adjust fees for service based on cost and/or inflation where allowed.
- The County must be committed to use technology to better control labor cost, inventory and other expenses.
- The County must examine and determine what excess assets should be sold in 2006 and years after.
- E-911 Funding shifts cause by VOIP, On-star and Cell phones, are reducing revenues to support E-911 and will place pressure again on local taxing authorities to maintain this key service.
- Managing the County's risk is the only way to avoid annual double digital premium increases in the cost of health care insurance, liability insurance and other insurances.
- The County must tackle the financing to make the necessary ADA improvements to it facilities.
- Improve account receivables processes and collections which will improve revenues.
- Our unemployment rate continues to 2 points higher than the State average and 4 points higher than the National average, but the County is the lowest in Northeastern Michigan and serves as the regional economic hub.

#### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the County of Alpena's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Office of the County Treasurer, Courthouse, 720 W. Chisholm Street, Alpena, MI 49707.

# STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

December 31, 2004

	Governmental	Primary Governmen Business-type		Component
	Activities	Activities	Total	Units
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$ 2,644,617 768,807	\$ 4,953,987 3,173,214	\$ 7,598,604 3,942,021	\$ 12,598,721 5,506,504
Receivables (net of allowance	700,007	3,173,214	3,942,021	3,300,304
for uncollectible accounts)	9,974,194	716,127	10,690,321	6,592,292
Inventories	4,913	-,	4,913	2,650,535
Prepaid items	-	-	-	4,566,697
Capital assets	18,579,537	-	18,579,537	121,936,872
Accumulated depreciation	(4,753,558)		(4,753,558)	(58,100,153)
Total assets	27,218,510	8,843,328	36,061,838	95,751,468
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	276,422	-	276,422	3,312,823
Accrued payroll and withholding	125,606	-	125,606	4,719,419
Other liabilities and deposits	-	-	-	571,121
Accrued interest payable	55,458	-	55,458	-
Due to other governmental units	-	8,006	8,006	-
Advances payable	100,165	-	100,165	139,807
Unearned revenue	6,375,497	-	6,375,497	1,930,412
Noncurrent liabilities				
Due within one year	000.040		000.040	500 OF 5
Compensated absences	236,249	-	236,249	522,655
Bonds and loans	944,973	-	944,973	1,424,222
Due in more than one year Compensated absences				74.050
Bonds and loans	3,712,499	-	2 712 400	74,059 14,623,813
Donus and loans	3,712,499		3,712,499	14,623,613
Total liabilities	11,826,869	8,006	11,834,875	27,318,331
NET ASSETS				
Invested in capital assets,				
net of related debt	9,168,507	-	9,168,507	47,316,146
Restricted for:				
Mortgage loans receivable	2,206,456	-	2,206,456	-
Capital outlay	251,479	-	251,479	1,934,250
Debt service	138,703	-	138,703	-
Donor restrictions	400.000	-	-	1,767,003
General fund designated	138,332	0.005.000	138,332	47 445 700
Unrestricted	3,488,164	8,835,322	12,323,486	17,415,738
Total net assets	\$ 15,391,641	\$ 8,835,322	\$ 24,226,963	\$ 68,433,137

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### **STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

			Program Revenue	
		Charman for	Operating Grants and	Capital Grants and
	Evnances	Charges for Services		
Eunations/Dragrams	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions
Functions/Programs: Primary Government:				
Governmental activities:				
Legislative	\$ 169,651	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
•		•	τ	Ф -
Judicial	1,364,466	565,821	361,485	-
General government	2,939,802	969,117	40,243	-
Public safety	3,726,926	1,155,398	809,115	-
Public works	666	-	-	-
Health and welfare	3,240,581	598,626	688,037	-
Economic development	16,995	-		
Recreation and culture	2,012,294	1,083,007	70,311	783,177
Other	317,603	-	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	229,940	842,828		
Total governmental activities	14,018,924	5,214,797	1,969,191	783,177
Business-type activities:				
Delinquent tax payment fund	265,511	513,809	-	-
Total primary government	\$ 14,284,435	\$ 5,728,606	\$ 1,969,191	\$ 783,177
Component Units:				
Circuit Court	\$ 582,190	\$ 527,114	\$ -	\$ -
District Health Department #4	5,420,169	2,951,732	2,193,284	Ψ -
Drain Commission	45	2,001,702	2,100,204	_
Family Division - Juvenile	412,166	114,707	289,529	_
Friend of the Court	690,227	75,503	594,949	_
Friend of the Court P.A. 215	2,492	6,546	-	_
Probation Enhancement	2,742	-	_	_
Regional Community Correction	160,890	8,853	160,890	_
Alpena County Road Commission	4,226,394	1,203,343	3,942,651	_
Alpena General Hospital	79,088,158	78,274,765	5,572,651	_
Total component units	\$ 90,585,473	\$ 83,162,563	\$ 7,181,303	\$ -
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#### General revenues:

Property taxes, levied for general purposes

State revenue sharing

Investment earnings

Transfers

Total general revenues and transfers

Change in net assets

Net assets - beginning of the year

Net assets - end of the year

	Net	<u> </u>		nd Ch	nanges in Net As	sets			
			ry Government				_		
G	Governmental		ısiness-type			Component			
	Activities		Activities		Total		Units		
\$	(169,651)	\$	-	\$	(169,651)	\$	-		
	(437,160)		-		(437,160)		-		
	(1,930,442)		-		(1,930,442)		-		
	(1,762,413)		-		(1,762,413)		-		
	(666)		-		(666)		-		
	(1,953,918)		-		(1,953,918)		-		
	(16,995)		-		(16,995)		-		
	(75,799)		-		(75,799)		-		
	(317,603)		-		(317,603)		-		
	612,888				612,888		-		
	(6,051,759)		_		(6,051,759)		-		
	-		248,298		248,298		-		
\$	(6,051,759)	\$	248,298	\$	(5,803,461)	\$	-		
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(55,076)		
	-		-		-		(275,153)		
	-		-		-		(45)		
	-		-		-		(7,930)		
	-		-		-		(19,775)		
	-		-		-		4,054		
	-		-		-		(2,742)		
	-		-		-		8,853		
	-		-		-		919,600		
Ф.		Φ	<del>-</del>	\$		\$	(813,393)		
\$	<del>-</del>	\$		Ψ		Ψ	(241,607)		
\$	7,209,445	\$	_	\$	7,209,445	\$	760,815		
*	331,629	•	_	Ŧ	331,629	*	-		
	68,610		82,426		151,036		148,359		
	257,744		(257,744)		-		-,		
	7,867,428		(175,318)		7,692,110		909,174		
	1,815,669		72,980		1,888,649		667,567		
	13,575,972		8,762,342		22,338,314		67,765,570		
\$	15,391,641	\$	8,835,322	\$	24,226,963	\$	68,433,137		

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - BALANCE SHEET**

December 31, 2004

	Ge	eneral Fund	 Airport	 mbulance	Housing
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	484,929	\$ 5,659	\$ 373,899	\$ 67,473
Investments Receivables		307,746	-	430,547	-
Taxes		3,844,235	-	716,688	-
Interest and accounts		35,237	12,484	98	3 2,206,456
Loans Inventory		-	-	-	2,200,430
Due from other governmental units		113,347	2,976	-	-
Due from other funds		237,430	 <u> </u>	 	 
	\$	5,022,924	\$ 21,119	\$ 1,521,232	\$ 2,273,932
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Accounts payable	\$	120,941	\$ 5,828	\$ 2,181	\$ 9,734
Accrued payroll and withholdings		90,714	5,344	-	1,385
Due to other funds		-	-	-	-
Advances payable Deferred revenue		- 3,844,235	-	- 716,688	2,206,456
Deletted revenue		3,044,233	 <u>-</u>	 7 10,000	 2,200,430
		4,055,890	 11,172	 718,869	 2,217,575
Fund equity					
Fund balances					
Reserved		-	-	-	-
Unreserved		400.000	0.045		
Designated Undesignated		138,332 828,702	6,315 3,632	- 802,363	- 56,357
Ondesignated		020,102	 3,032	 002,303	 50,557
		967,034	 9,947	 802,363	 56,357
	\$	5,022,924	\$ 21,119	\$ 1,521,232	\$ 2,273,932

Library		Revenue Sharing Reserve		Alpena General Hospital		Building Authority		Nonmajor overnmental Funds	G	Total Governmental Funds	
\$	359,052 -	\$	- -	\$	3,151 -	\$ 4,997 -	\$	1,221,374 12,432	\$	2,520,534 750,725	
	597,240 - -		1,067,671 - -		785,410 - -	- - -		431,924 68,856 - 4,913		7,443,168 116,678 2,206,456 4,913	
	<u>-</u>		- -		- -	 - -		91,562		207,885 237,430	
\$	956,292	\$	1,067,671	\$	788,561	\$ 4,997	\$	1,831,061	\$	13,487,789	
\$	7,430 9,515 - - 597,240	\$	- - 237,430 - -	\$	- - - - 785,410	\$ - - - -	\$	118,308 18,648 - 100,165 431,924	\$	264,422 125,606 237,430 100,165 8,581,953	
	614,185		237,430		785,410			669,045		9,309,576	
	-		-		-	-		-		-	
	342,107		- 830,241		3,151	 4,997		375,719 786,297		528,514 3,649,699	
	342,107		830,241		3,151	 4,997		1,162,016		4,178,213	
\$	956,292	\$	1,067,671	\$	788,561	\$ 4,997	\$	1,831,061	\$	13,487,789	

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# GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

As of December 31, 2004

Fund balances - Total governmental funds		\$	4,178,213
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of		Ψ	4,170,210
Net Assets are different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the governmental funds.			
Governmental capital assets Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 18,579,537 (4,753,558)		13,825,979
Deferred revenue in the governmental funds is susceptible to full accrual on the Statement of Net Assets.			2,206,456
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.			
Bonds payable	(4,325,104)		
Installment purchase agreements Compensated absences	(332,368) (236,249)		
Accrued interest payable	 (55,458)		(4,949,179)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain activities to individual funds. The assets and			
liabilities of internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets.			130,172
Net Assets of Governmental Activities		\$	15,391,641

# GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

December 31, 2004

	Ge	eneral Fund		Airport	Ar	mbulance		Housing
REVENUES								
Taxes	\$	3,729,305	\$	_	\$	681,433	\$	-
Licenses and permits	·	21,181	·	-	•	-		-
Federal grants		147,933		785,821		57,896		75,000
State grants		1,169,702		17,667		15,242		, <u>-</u>
Other intergovernmental revenue		-		-		-		_
Charges for service		1,149,159		94,793		-		125,224
Fines and forfeitures		84,859		, -		-		, -
Interest and rents		35,940		148,471		10,972		_
Other revenue		584,200		21,101		285		23,375
Total revenues		6,922,279	-	1,067,853		765,828		223,599
						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
EXPENDITURES								
Current								
Legislative		169,651		-		-		-
Judicial		1,348,002		-		-		-
General government		2,868,987		-		-		-
Public safety		2,022,965		-		692,767		-
Public works		666		-		-		-
Health and welfare		382,456		-		-		307,497
Community and economic development		16,995		-		-		-
Recreation and cultural		-		1,122,808		-		-
Other		317,603		-		-		-
Debt Service								
Principal		-		-		-		-
Interest		-		-		-		
Total expenditures		7,127,325		1,122,808		692,767		307,497
EVERSE OF DEVENUES OVER								
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(205,046)		(54,955)		73,061		(83,898)
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(205,046)		(54,955)		73,001		(03,090)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Proceeds from long-term debt		-		-		-		_
Operating transfers in		614,199		47,943		-		_
Operating transfers (out)		(660,054)		-		-		-
		(45,855)		47,943		-		-
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER								
SOURCES OVER (UNDER)								
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES		(250,901)		(7,012)		73,061		(83,898)
THIND DALANCES beginning of the								
FUND BALANCES, beginning of the year		1,217,935		16,959	-	729,302	-	140,255
FUND BALANCES, end of the year	\$	967,034	\$	9,947	\$	802,363	\$	56,357

Library		Revenue Sharing Library Reserve			Alpena General Hospital		Building Authority		Nonmajor Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
\$	558,111	\$	1,067,671	\$	750,796	\$	-	\$	422,129	\$	7,209,445	
	-		-		-		-		4,143		25,324	
	-		-		-		-		144,053		1,210,703	
	48,155		-		16,748		50,000		555,780		1,873,294	
	- 19,515		-		-		-		67,371 1,429,970		67,371 2,818,661	
	169,942		_		_		_		3,500		258,301	
	5,455		_		_		4,007		865,423		1,070,268	
	136,266		_		3,814		60,215		149,093		978,349	
	937,444	-	1,067,671		771,358		114,222	-	3,641,462		15,511,716	
	-		-		-		-		-		169,651	
	-		-		-		-		16,464		1,364,466	
	-		-		-		-		74,969		2,943,956	
	-		-		-		-		977,409		3,693,141	
	-		-		-		-		-		666	
	825,287		-		770,394		-		925,169		3,210,803	
	-		-		-		-		-		16,995	
	-		-		-		932,751		1,273,570		3,329,129	
	-		-		-		-		-		317,603	
	-		-		-		-		852,262		852,262	
	-				-				239,243		239,243	
	825,287		<u> </u>		770,394		932,751		4,359,086		16,137,915	
	112,157		1,067,671		964		(818,529)		(717,624)		(626,199)	
	-		-		-		-		235,711		235,711	
	-		-		-		-		613,853		1,275,995	
			(237,430)				-		(120,767)		(1,018,251)	
	<u>-</u> _		(237,430)		<u>-</u> _				728,797		493,455	
	112,157		830,241		964		(818,529)		11,173		(132,744)	
	229,950		-		2,187		823,526	-	1,150,843		4,310,957	
\$	342,107	\$	830,241	\$	3,151	\$	4,997	\$	1,162,016	\$	4,178,213	

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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# GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

Net change in fund balances - Total governmental funds		\$ (132,744)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is depreciated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.		
Expenditures for capital assets Less current year depreciation	\$ 1,838,753 (596,508)	1,242,245
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, which increases liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets. Repayment of long-term debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt Bond principal payments Installment agreement payments	(235,711) 684,252 168,010	616,551
Some revenues (costs) reported in the statement of activities do not provide current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues in governmental funds.		
Change in deferred revenue		62,560
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		
Change in accrued interest payable Change in long-term compensated absences	 9,303 80,824	90,127
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain activities to individual funds. The net revenue (expense) of the internal service funds is reported with governmental activities.		(63,070)
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities		\$ 1,815,669

# PROPRIETARY FUNDS - STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

December 31, 2004

	<i>,</i> [	usiness-type Activities - Delinquent Tax Payment	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds		
ASSETS  Cash and cash equivalents Investments  Accounts receivable (net of allowance	\$	4,953,987 3,173,214	\$	124,083 18,082	
for uncollectible accounts) Total assets		716,127 8,843,328		7 142,172	
LIABILITIES Current liabilities     Accounts payable     Due to other governmental units     Current portion of long-term debt payable Total current liabilities		8,006 - 8,006		12,000 - - 12,000	
Noncurrent liabilities Long-term debt					
Total liabilities		8,006		12,000	
NET ASSETS Unrestricted Total net assets	\$	8,835,322 8,835,322	\$	130,172 130,172	

# PROPRIETARY FUNDS - STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS

Year Ended December 31, 2004

OPERATING REVENUES	[	usiness-type Activities - Delinquent Tax Payment	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds		
Charges for services	\$	363,485	\$	307	
Interest on taxes	Ψ	150,324	Ψ	-	
Total operating revenues		513,809		307	
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Contracted services		265,511		65,643	
Total operating expenses		265,511		65,643	
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		248,298		(65,336)	
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		00.400		2.200	
Investment income and rents  Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)		82,426 82,426		2,266 2,266	
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)		02,420		2,200	
Net income before transfers		330,724		(63,070)	
OPERATING TRANSFERS					
Transfers in		-		-	
Transfers out		(257,744)			
	-	(257,744)			
Change in net assets		72,980		(63,070)	
Net assets - beginning of the year		8,762,342		193,242	
Net assets - end of the year	\$	8,835,322	\$	130,172	

#### PROPRIETARY FUNDS - STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended December 31, 2004

	[	usiness-type Activities - Delinquent Tax Payment	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Receipts from customers and users Cash payments for delinquent taxes Payments to suppliers Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	2,485,667 (1,825,157) (265,511) 394,999	\$	(53,336) (53,336)	
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Transfers from (to) other funds		(257,744)		<u>-</u>	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES  Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments Purchase of investments Interest and dividends received  Net cash provided (used) by investing activities		(257,744) - (38,450) 105,060 66,610		(172) 2,264 2,092	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		203,865		(51,244)	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of the year		4,750,122		175,327	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of the year	\$	4,953,987	\$	124,083	
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities  Operating income (loss)  Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities  Increase (decrease) in accounts receivable Increase (decrease) in accounts payable Increase (decrease) in due to governmental units	\$	248,298 166,762 - (20,061)	\$	(65,336) - 12,000	
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	394,999	\$	(53,336)	

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# FIDUCIARY FUNDS - STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

## December 31, 2004

ASSETS	Agency Funds
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Interest and accounts receivable	\$ 1,687,962 14,693 14
Total assets	\$ 1,702,669
LIABILITIES  Payroll withholdings and other  Other liabilities and deposits  Due to other governmental units  Due to other funds	\$ 330,001 126,379 183,160 1,063,129
Total liabilities	\$ 1,702,669

# **COMPONENT UNIT FUNDS - COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**

December 31, 2004

	Circuit Court			District Health		Drain		Family Division -	
ASSETS	Court		De	partment #4	Col	mmission		Juvenile	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	34,968	\$	538,710	\$	495	\$	23,796	
Investments	Ψ	5 <del>-</del> ,500	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	20,700	
Receivables (net of allowance									
for uncollectable accounts		_		609,162		-		24,880	
Inventories		-		-		-		-	
Prepaid and other assets		-		255		-		-	
Capital assets		687,869		564,365		-		280,000	
Accumulated depreciation		(373,153)		(446,278)				(30,600)	
Total assets	\$	349,684	\$	1,266,214	\$	495	\$	298,076	
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LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
Accounts payable	\$	5,765	\$	121,795	\$	-	\$	3,381	
Accrued payroll and withholdings		8,214		51,656		-		8,081	
Other liabilities and deposits		-		-		-		-	
Due to other governmental units		-		-		-		-	
Advances payable		-		(887)		-		-	
Unearned revenue		-		261,830		-		-	
Noncurrent liabilities									
Due within one year									
Compensated absences		-		522,655		-		-	
Bonds and loans		-		-		-		-	
Due in more than one year									
Compensated absences Bonds and loans		-		-		-		-	
Total liabilities		13,979		957,049		<del></del>		11,462	
Total habilities		13,313	-	337,043				11,402	
NET ASSETS									
Invested in capital assets,									
net of related debt		314,716		118,087		-		249,400	
Restricted for:									
Capital outlay		-		-		-		-	
Donor restrictions		-		-		-		-	
Unrestricted	_	20,989	ф.	191,078	Ф.	495	_	37,214	
Total net assets	\$	335,705	\$	309,165	\$	495		286,614	

				Alpena		
Friend	Friend of		Regional	County	Alpena	
of the	the Court	Probation	Community	Road	General	
Court	P.A. 215	Enhancement	Correction	Commission	Hospital	Totals
\$ 99,027	\$ 153,585	\$ -	\$ (23,628)	\$ 3,420,839	\$ 8,350,929	\$ 12,598,721
-	ψ 100,000 -	-	ψ (20,020) -	φ 0,120,000 -	5,506,504	5,506,504
203,581	240	-	33,882	806,674	4,913,873	6,592,292
-	-	-	-	401,485	2,249,050	2,650,535
- 687,869	-	-	-	70,433 38,884,154	4,496,009 80,832,615	4,566,697 121,936,872
(373,153)	-	<u>-</u>	_	(13,536,537)	(43,340,432)	(58,100,153)
(0.0,100)				(10,000,001)	(10,010,102)	(66,166,166)
\$ 617,324	\$ 153,825	\$ -	\$ 10,254	\$ 30,047,048	\$ 63,008,548	\$ 95,751,468
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,254	\$ 56,924	\$ 3,114,704	\$ 3,312,823
15,849	-	-	-	20,621	4,614,998	4,719,419
-	-	-	-	-	571,121	571,121
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	140,694	-	139,807
-	-	-	-	-	1,668,582	1,930,412
-	-	-	-	-	-	522,655
-	-	-	-	-	1,424,222	1,424,222
				74.050		74.050
-	-	-	-	74,059	- 14,623,813	74,059 14,623,813
15,849			10,254	292,298	26,017,440	27,318,331
04.4.746				05.047.047	00.074.040	47.040.440
314,716	-	-	-	25,347,617	20,971,610	47,316,146
_	_	-	_	1,934,250	-	1,934,250
-	-	-	-	-	1,767,003	1,767,003
286,759	153,825			2,472,883	14,252,495	17,415,738
\$ 601,475	\$ 153,825	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,754,750	\$ 36,991,108	\$ 68,433,137

#### **COMPONENT UNIT FUNDS - COMBINING STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

		Program Revenues						
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions				
Functions/Programs:								
Circuit Court	\$ 582,190	\$ 527,114	\$ -	\$ -				
District Health Department #4	5,420,169	2,951,732	2,193,284	-				
Drain Commission	45	-	-	-				
Family Division - Juvenile	412,166	114,707	289,529	-				
Friend of the Court	690,227	75,503	594,949	-				
Friend of the Court P.A. 215	2,492	6,546	-	-				
Probation Enhancement	2,742	-	-	-				
Regional Community Correction	160,890	8,853	160,890	-				
Alpena County Road Commission	4,226,394	1,203,343	3,942,651	-				
Alpena General Hospital	79,088,158	78,274,765	-	-				
Total component units	\$ 90,585,473	\$ 83,162,563	\$ 7,181,303	\$ -				

#### General revenues:

Property taxes, levied for general purposes Investment earnings Total general revenues and transfers

Change in net assets Net assets - beginning of the year Net assets - end of the year Net (Expense) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets

\$ (55,076) (275,153) (45) (7,930) (19,775) 4,054 (2,742) 8,853 919,600 (813,393) \$ (241,607)

\$ 760,815 148,359 909,174

667,567 67,765,570 \$ 68,433,137

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

The accounting policies of the County of Alpena conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies used by the County:

#### A. Reporting Entity.

**Description of County Operations.** The County of Alpena, Michigan, was incorporated March 8, 1843 and covers an area of approximately 640 square miles, with the county seat located in the City of Alpena. The County operates under an elected Board of Commissioners (8 members) and provides services to its 31,314 residents (2000 census) in many areas including law enforcement, administration of justice, community enrichment and development and human services.

The accompanying financial statements present the government and its component units, entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Although blended component units are legal separate entities, in substance, they are part of the government's operations. Each discretely presented component unit is reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the government.

**Blended component unit.** A blended component unit is a legally separate entity from the County, but is so intertwined with the County that it is, in substance, the same as the County of Alpena. It is reported as a part of the County and blended into the appropriate fund types.

**Building Authority.** The County of Alpena Building Authority is governed by a five member board appointed by the County's governing body. Although it is legally separate from the County, the Building Authority is reported as if it were part of the primary government because its sole purpose is to finance and construct the County's public buildings.

**Discretely Presented Component Units.** The component unit columns in the combined financial statements include the financial data of the County's component units. They are reported in a separate column to emphasize that they are either a multi-county agency or operate independently from the County. The governing bodies of these component units are appointed by the County Board of Commissioners.

The following component units are included as a part of the County's annual financial statements since all of these agencies provide services to more than one county, with Alpena County being the largest. As a result the agency is required to deposit all funds with the County Treasurer. The discretely presented component units are entities that are legally separate from the County, but for which the County is financially accountable, or its relationship with the County is such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

**Circuit Court.** This fund is established to account for the activities of a two county Circuit Court. Each county contributes an amount based on their relative population to the total population of the district along with sending representatives to sit on Circuit Court board.

**District Health Department #4.** This fund is used to account for health services provided to a four county area. Each county sends representatives to sit on a separate health board that runs the operations of the health department.

**Drain.** This fund is established to account for the activities of the Alpena County Drain Commissioner. The office approves drainage in new developments, subdivision and maintains lake levels.

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**Family Division-Juvenile.** This fund is used to account for the activities of a two county Family Division - Juvenile Office. Each County contributes based on their representative share of the cases handled by the office.

**Friend of the Court.** This fund is established to account for the activities of a two county Friend of the Court office. Each county contributes based on their representative share of the cases handled by the office.

**Friend of the Court P.A. 215.** This fund is used to account for the 215 funds received for the two county area that the Friend of the Court office serves.

**Probation Enhancement.** This fund is used to account for a two county probation office. Financing for this office comes from each of the two counties that it serves.

**Regional Community Corrections.** This fund is used to account for a state grant that serves a three county district with Alpena County being the County of record.

The following component units are included as a part of the County's annual financial statements since all debt and taxes levied must be approved by the County.

**Road Commission.** This fund is used to account for the operation of the County Road Commission. The Commission has its own separate elected board that oversees the day to day operations and sets policies and procedures.

**Alpena General Hospital.** This fund is used to account for a locally owned hospital that serves the residents of Northeast Michigan. The Hospital has a separate board of governors that handle the day to day operations. The County levies property taxes of 1.0 mill for capital projects.

Additional financial information of the individual component units can be obtained from their respective administrative offices or can be viewed at the County Treasurer's office at the courthouse.

#### Administrative Offices

Circuit Court Alpena County Courthouse Alpena, MI 49707

District Health Department No. 4 1521 West Chisholm Street Alpena, MI 49707

Drain Commission Alpena County Courthouse Alpena, MI 49707

Family Division – Juvenile Alpena County Courthouse Alpena, MI 49707

Friend of the Court Alpena County Courthouse Alpena, MI 49707 Probation Enhancement Alpena County Courthouse Alpena, MI 49707

Regional Community Correction Alpena County Courthouse Alpena, MI 49707

Alpena County Road Commission 1400 Bagley Alpena, MI 49707

Alpena General Hospital Office of the Controller 1501 W. Chisholm Alpena, MI 49707

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segments are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, state-shared revenue, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be available only when cash is received by the government.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

**General Fund.** This fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Airport Fund. This fund is used to account for the Operations of the Alpena County Regional Airport.

Ambulance Fund. This fund is used to account for property taxes collected for ambulance services.

**Housing Fund.** This fund accounts for the operations of the Alpena County Home Improvement Program. Financing is provided by federal and state grants, interest, and program income.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Library Fund.** This fund is used to account for the operations of the Alpena County Library. Financing is provided by property taxes, state grants, and charges for services.

**Revenue Sharing Reserve.** This fund is mandated by the State of Michigan and accounts for property tax collections to serve as a substitute for state revenue sharing payments.

**Alpena General Hospital Capital Project Fund.** This fund is used to account for property taxes collected for capital projects at the Alpena General Hospital.

**Building Authority Capital Project Fund.** This fund is used to account for the construction of public facilities within Alpena County.

The government reports the following major proprietary funds:

**Delinquent Property Tax Revolving Fund.** This fund is used to account for the payment to each local unit of government within the County of Alpena the delinquent real property taxes outstanding as of March 1, of each year. This fund also is used to account for the collection of those delinquent taxes along with penalties and interest.

Additionally, the County of Alpena reports the following fund types:

**Special Revenue Funds.** These funds are used to account for specific governmental revenues requiring separate accounting for legal, regulatory or administrative purposes.

**Debt Service Funds.** These funds are used to record the funding and payment of the principal and interest on the long-term debt of the County.

**Capital Projects Funds.** These funds are used to account for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

**Internal Service Fund.** These funds are used to record the financing of goods and services provided to other funds of the County on a cost reimbursement basis.

Agency Funds. These funds are used to account for assets held in trust or as an agent for others.

Private-sector standards of accounting issued prior to December 1, 1989, are generally followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with the standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The government has elected not to follow private-sector standards issued after November 30, 1989 for its business-type activities.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are charges between the government's water and sewer function and various other functions of the government. Eliminations of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned. Amounts reported as program revenue include: (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenue rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenue and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenue and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of our proprietary funds relate to charges to customers for services. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenue and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenue and expenses.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

Cash and Cash Equivalents. The County maintains and controls a cash and investment pool in which the primary government and component unit's share. Each fund's or component unit's portion of a pool is displayed on its respective balance sheet as "Cash and cash equivalents". In addition, Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired.

**Investments.** Consist of governmental moneymarket funds, U.S. Government Securities, and commercial paper with original maturities of greater than 90 days. Investments are stated at fair value which is determined using selective bases.

**Receivables and Payables.** In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as "advances to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and the business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

All trade and property tax receivables are shown as net of allowance for uncollectible amounts. Property taxes are levied on each December 1st on the taxable valuation of property as of the preceding December 31st. Taxes are considered delinquent on March 1st of the following year, at which time penalties and interest are assessed.

**Inventories and Prepaid Items.** Inventories are valued at cost, on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future fiscal years and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Capital Assets**. Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$2,500 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

Property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Land Improvements 20 to 25 years
Buildings 30 to 50 years
Building Improvements 15 to 30 years
Vehicles 3 to 5 years
Office and Computer Equipment 3 to 7 years
Infrastructure - Roads 5 to 30 years
Infrastructure - Bridges 12 to 50 years
Infrastructure - Traffic Signals 15 years

Vacation, Sick Leave and Other Compensated Absences. After one year of employment, County employees are granted vacation leave in varying amounts based on length of service. Vacation pay is fully vested when earned; upon termination, employees are paid accumulated vacation at their regular pay rates to a limit of 100% of their current annual earned vacation. All full-time and regular part-time employees in accordance with County contracts negotiated with the various employee groups shall be entitled to paid time off (PTO). 176 PTO hours for 40 hour per week full-time employees and 154 PTO hours for 35 hour per week full-time employees and pro-rated for part-time employees is the maximum hours that may be accumulated.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These policies are followed by all funds and departments of the County except the Road Commission, Hospital, District Health, and Multi-County Courts, which have established separate policies.

The Multi-County Circuit Courts have adopted a medical leave policy where employees can accumulate up to 120 days of medical leave. Upon retirement, employees shall be paid for all unused accumulated medical leave. Vacation leave is granted in varying amounts based on length of service and is fully vested when earned. Vacation time does not accumulate to future periods except employees can carry-over a maximum of 10 unused vacation days to the following year.

The District Health Department No. 4 has adopted a medical leave policy where employees can accumulate up to 100 days of medical leave. Upon retirement, employees shall be paid for all unused accumulated medical leave. Vacation leave is granted in varying amounts based on length of service and is fully vested when earned. Vacation time can accumulate up to a maximum of 30 days. Upon termination, the employee shall receive any current unused vacation time.

Additional disclosures for the Road Commission and Hospital policies regarding their compensated absences can be found by obtaining a copy of each respective departments/separate audit.

Long-Term Obligations. In the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt. In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

**Fund Equity**. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

**Encumbrances.** Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation is not employed by the County. Commitments outstanding at year end are charged against the subsequent year's appropriation once received and approved.

**Use of Estimates.** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities; disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements; and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimated.

**Reporting Periods.** The reporting period for all funds and account groups of the County is the year ended December 31, 2004, except Alpena General Hospital (AGH) a component unit activity, where the reporting period is the year ended June 30, 2004.

**Reclassifications.** Certain items reported in the 2003 financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the presentation for the current year.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 2--LEGAL COMPLIANCE.

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting.** Prior to adoption of the General Fund budget, County departments prepare and submit their proposed operating budgets commencing the following January 1. A public hearing is conducted to obtain taxpayer comments. Prior to December 31, the budget is adopted by the Board of Commissioners. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Commissioners during the year. Unused appropriations at December 31 are not carried forward to the following year.

Budgets are to be prepared on the same basis of accounting as the financial statements. The County prepared its General Fund budget using the cash basis of accounting.

**Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations in Budgeted Funds.** The Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, PA 2 of 1968, as amended, (MCL 141.421 et seq.), provides that a local governmental unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. The County of Alpena's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the funds budgeted have been shown on a functional basis.

The General Fund budget was legally enacted on a functional level. The Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual - General and Special Revenue Fund Types presents a functional comparison of the budget with actual data on a budgetary basis. Detail at the activity and departmental level is presented in the General Fund Combining Statement for the benefit of management. Since accounting principles applied for purposes of developing data on a budgetary basis differ from those used to present financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), a reconciliation of the differences is shown in the Combined Statement.

During the year, the County of Alpena did not incur expenditures which were in excess of the amounts appropriated.

**Accumulated Fund Deficits.** The County of Alpena has accumulated fund balance/retained earnings deficits in the following individual funds:

Northern Lights Arena \$ (33,524)

Public Act 275 of 1980 (MCL 141.921) requires that the County of Alpena file a deficit elimination plan to the Michigan Department of Treasury within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year for each fund that ended the year in a deficit condition. The County of Alpena has not filed the required plan. The County feels the following addresses the deficits and will be filing the plans shortly.

Northern Lights Arena – This is a community events center and ice arena that has experienced start-up losses in its first year of operation. The County expects that future donations and operating revenues from the facility will eliminate the deficit.

## NOTE 3--DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS.

Michigan Compiled Laws, Section 129.91, authorizes the County of Alpena to deposit and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations; bonds, securities and other direct obligations of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; United States government or federal agency obligation repurchase agreements; banker's acceptance of United States banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications, which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions which are rated as investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan. Financial institutions eligible for deposit of public funds must maintain an office in Michigan.

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The County of Alpena has designated seven banks for the deposit of County funds. The investment policy adopted by the Board of Commissioners in accordance with Public Act 196 of 1997 has authorized investment in bonds and securities of the United States government and bank accounts and CDs, but not the remainder of State statutory authority as listed above.

The County of Alpena's deposits and investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

At year end, the County of Alpena's deposits and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in statements in the following categories:

	Statement of Net Assets									
	Primary	Component	Fiduciary							
	Government	Units	Funds	Total						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,598,604	\$ 12,598,721	\$ 1,687,962	\$ 21,885,287						
Investments	3,942,021	5,506,504	14,693	9,463,218						
	\$ 11,540,625	\$ 18,105,225	\$ 1,702,655	\$ 31,348,505						
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The breakdown between deposits a	nd investments is a	is follows:								
	Primary	Component	Fiduciary							
	Government	Units	Funds	Total						
Carrying Amounts										
Cash and cash equivalents										
Bank deposits										
Pooled checking	\$ 1,691,453	\$ 2,908,991	\$ 1,402,523	\$ 6,002,967						
Checking and savings	138,703	8,350,416	71,131	8,560,250						
Certificates of deposit	5,743,838	1,323,684	214,308	7,281,830						
	7,573,994	12,583,091	1,687,962	21,845,047						
Petty and cash on hand	24,610	15,630		40,240						
	7,598,604	12,598,721	1,687,962	21,885,287						
Investments										
Commercial paper	-	3,500,000	-	3,500,000						
U.S. Government										
Securities	-	2,006,504	-	2,006,504						
Money market funds	3,942,021		14,693	3,956,714						
	3,942,021	5,506,504	14,693	9,463,218						
	\$ 11,540,625	\$ 18,105,225	\$ 1,702,655	\$ 31,348,505						

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) regulations provide that deposits of governmental units are to be separately insured for the amount of \$100,000 for deposits in an insured bank for demand deposits and \$100,000 for savings deposits. Furthermore, if specific deposits are regulated by statute or bond indenture these specific deposits are to be separately insured for the amount of \$100,000. due to the nature of the County's cash management pool, it is not possible to segregate bank deposits between the primary government and the component units for FDIC insurance coverage. Accordingly, only reporting entity totals are reflected. At year end, the carrying amount of the County's bank deposits was \$21,845,047, with a corresponding bank balance of \$22,472,684. Of the bank's balances, \$1,409,974 is insured, and the remaining \$21,062,710 is uninsured and uncollateralized and in the County's name.

The County's investments are categorized below to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the entity for the year ended December 31, 2004:

- Category 1 Includes investments that are insured or registered for which the securities are held by the County or its custodial agent in the County's name.
- Category 2 Includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the County's name.
- Category 3 Includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty or by its trust department or agent, but not in the County's name.

		Category						Fair	
	1_			2	_		3		Value
Commercial paper U.S. Government Securities Money-market funds	\$	- - -	\$		- - -	\$	3,500,000 2,006,504 3,956,714	\$	3,500,000 2,006,504 3,956,714
Total categorized Investments	\$	<u> </u>	\$			\$	9,463,218	\$_	9,463,218

#### **NOTE 4--RECEIVABLES.**

Receivables for the primary government and component units at December 31, 2004 are as follows:

	Governmental Activities		Βι 	usiness-type Activities		Total	Component Units
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	\$	116,685	\$	-	\$	116,685	\$ 5,387,065
Loans		2,206,456		-		2,206,456	-
Taxes receivable		7,443,168		716,127		8,159,295	-
Due from governmental units	_	207,885	_	<del>_</del>	_	207,885	1,205,227
	\$_	9,974,194	\$_	716,127	\$ <u>1</u>	0,690,321	\$ <u>6,592,292</u>

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## NOTE 5--INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS.

The amounts of the interfund activity at December 31, 2004 are as follows:

		Interfund Receivables		
<u>Fund</u>				
General Revenue Sharing Reserve	\$	237,430	\$	- 237,430
	<u>\$</u>	237,430	\$	237,430

Reallocation of resources between funds of the reporting entity is classified as interfund transfers. For the purpose of the statement of activities, all interfund transfers have been eliminated.

	Transfers In		 ransfers (Out)
General Fund	\$	614,199	\$ (660,054)
Special Revenue Funds			
Airport		47,943	-
Budget stabilization		-	(100,000)
Child Care - F.I.A.		3,742	(1,338)
Child Care – Probate		401,507	(1,742)
Family independence agency		24,000	(17,687)
Law library		12,400	-
Parks		10,000	-
Plaza pool		35,401	-
Revenue sharing reserve		-	(237,430)
Capital Project Fund			
Equipment replacement		126,803	-
Business-type Activities			
Delinquent Tax Payment Fund		-	 (257,744)
	\$	1,275,995	\$ 1,275,995

Transfers are used to: (1) move unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations; (2) move revenues from the fund that is required to collect them to the fund that is required or allowed to expend them; and (3) move receipts restricted to or allowed for debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the debt service funds as debt service payments become due.

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

### **NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

# **Primary Government**

Capital asset activity of the primary government for the year ended December 31, 2004 is as follows:

Governmental activities:	Balance 12/31/03	Additions	Retirements	Balance 12/31/04
Capital assets, not being depreciat	ed:			
Land	\$ 129,484	\$ 43,500		\$ 172,984
	129,484	43,500		172,984
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	1,700,000	427,711	-	2,127,711
Buildings and improvements	13,415,445	932,750	-	14,348,195
Office and computer				
equipment	450,132	100,203	-	550,335
Vehicles	1,045,723	334,589		1,380,312
	16,611,300	1,795,253		18,406,553
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Land improvements	(396,667)	(63,796)	-	(460,463)
Buildings and improvements	(3,163,286)	(373,749)	-	(3,537,035)
Office and computer				
equipment	(91,316)	(87,220)	-	(178,536)
Vehicles	(505,781)	(71,743)		(577,524)
	(4,157,050)	(596,508)		(4,753,558)
	•			•
Governmental activities assets	\$ 12,583,734	\$ 1,242,245	<u> </u>	\$ 13,825,979

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:

General government	\$ 41,627
Public safety	55,285
Health and welfare	29,778
Recreation and culture	469,818
	\$ 596,508

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## **Discretely Presented Component Units**

Capital asset activity of the component units for the year ended December 31, 2004 is as follows:

Circuit Court:	Balance 12/31/03	Additions	Balance 12/31/04		
Circuit Court:					
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	\$ 687,869	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 687,869	
- -	687,869			687,869	
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Buildings and improvements	(357,596)	(15,557)		(373,153)	
-	(357,596)	(15,557)		(373,153)	
Net component unit assets	\$ 330,273	\$ (15,557)	<u> </u>	\$ 314,716	

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Circuit Court as follows:

Governmental activities:

Judicial \$ 15,557

Family Division Learning	Balance 12/31/03		Ad	Additions		Retirements		Balance 12/31/04	
Family Division - Juvenile:									
Capital assets, being depreciated: Buildings and improvements Office and computer	\$	260,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	260,000	
equipment		20,000		-		-		20,000	
		280,000		-		-		280,000	
Less accumulated depreciation: Buildings and improvements Office and computer		(10,400)		(5,200)		-		(15,600)	
equipment		(14,000)		(1,000)				(15,000)	
		24,400)		(6,200)				(30,600)	
Net component unit assets	\$	255,600	\$	(6,200)	\$	-	\$	249,400	

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Family Division - Juvenile as follows:

Governmental activities:

Judicial \$ 6,200

### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## **Discretely Presented Component Units**

	Balance 12/31/03				
Friend of the Court:					
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	\$ 687,869	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 687,869	
	687,869			687,869	
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Buildings and improvements	(357,596)	(15,557)		(373,153)	
	(357,596)	(15,557)	<u> </u>	(373,153)	
Net component unit assets	\$ 330,273	\$ (15,557)	<u> </u>	\$ 314,716	

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Friend of the Court as follows:

15,557

Governmental activities:

Judicial

	Balance 12/31/03		Additions		Reti	Retirements		alance 2/31/04
District Health:								
Capital assets, being depreciated: Buildings and improvements	\$	105,897	\$	38,023	\$	_	\$	143,920
Office and computer equipment		336,048		7,799		(28,226)		315,621
Vehicles		104,824 546,769		45,822		(28,226)		104,824 564,365
		340,703		45,022		(20,220)		304,303
Less accumulated depreciation:								
Buildings and improvements Office and computer		(77,529)		(8,069)		-		(85,598)
equipment		(280,929)		(18,877)		28,226		(271,580)
Vehicles		(78,618)		(10,482)		-		(89,100)
		(437,076)		(37,428)		28,226		(446,278)
Net component unit assets	\$	109,693	\$	8,394	\$		\$	118,087

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the District Health as follows:

Governmental activities:

Health and human services \$ 37,428

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# **Discretely Presented Component Units**

	Balance 12/31/03	Additions	Retirements	Balance 12/31/04							
Alpena County Road Commission:											
Capital assets, being depreciated:											
Land	\$ 23,080	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,080							
Land improvements	8,990,161	372,166		9,362,327							
	9,013,241	372,166		9,385,407							
Capital assets, being depreciated:											
Buildings and improvements	1,182,646	278,041	-	1,460,687							
Machinery and equipment	4,232,210	298,528	(220,169)	4,310,569							
Office and computer											
equipment	131,357	-	-	131,357							
Infrastructure - roads	19,064,580	956,999	(535,400)	19,486,179							
Infrastructure - bridges	3,918,925	19,964	-	3,938,889							
Infrastructure - traffic signals	24,831	-	-	24,831							
Depletable assets	146,235			146,235							
	28,700,784	1,553,532	(755,569)	29,498,747							
Less accumulated depreciation:											
Buildings and improvements	(596,658)	(26,021)	-	(622,679)							
Machinery and equipment	(3,440,314)	(305,232)	220,169	(3,525,377)							
Office and computer											
equipment	(101,527)	(8,633)	-	(110,160)							
Infrastructure - roads	(7,200,508)	(1,103,099)	535,400	(7,768,207)							
Infrastructure - bridges	(1,263,764)	(80,733)	-	(1,344,497)							
Infrastructure - traffic signals	(17,505)	(1,656)	-	(19,161)							
Depletable assets	(146,456)			(146,456)							
	(12,766,732)	(1,525,374)	755,569	(13,536,537)							
Net component unit assets	\$ 24,947,293	\$ 400,324	\$ -	\$ 25,347,617							

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Road Commission as follows:

Governmental activities:

Public works \$ 1,525,374

### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## **Discretely Presented Component Units**

Almana Cananal Haanitala	Balance 12/31/03 Additions		Retirements	Balance 12/31/04
Alpena General Hospital:				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land and improvements	\$ 2,317,340	\$ 15,145	\$ -	\$ 2,332,485
Buildings and improvements	47,524,999	2,017,928	-	49,542,927
Office and computer				
equipment	27,294,840	4,385,949	(2,723,586)	28,957,203
	77,137,179	6,419,022	(2,723,586)	80,832,615
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Land and improvements	(891,274)	(96,102)	-	(987,376)
Buildings and improvements	(23,892,880)	(1,583,436)	-	25,476,316)
Office and computer				
equipment	(16,656,734)	(2,800,319)	2,580,313	(16,876,740)
	(41,440,888)	(4,479,857)	2,580,313	(43,340,432)
Net component unit assets	\$ 35,696,291	\$ 1,939,165	\$ (143,273)	\$ 37,492,183

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Alpena General Hospital as follows:

Governmental activities:

Health and human services \$ 4,479,857

### **NOTE 7--LEASES.**

The County is party to numerous operating leases. Minimum future rental payments under existing leases are not significant.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 8--LONG-TERM DEBT.

Long-term debt of the County is as follows:

	Balances, Jan 01, 04	Additions	Deductions	Balances, Dec 31, 04
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	<u> </u>	raditions	Deddollono	<u> </u>
Alpena County Sanitary Sewage Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds 3.4% to 5.0%	\$ 915,000	\$ -	\$ (180,000)	\$ 735,000
County of Alpena 1989 Series G.O. Refunding Bonds 7.05% to 7.50%	365,000	-	(105,000)	260,000
Alpena County Water Supply System #5 Bonds 7.10% to 7.50%	220,000	-	(50,000)	170,000
Alpena County Building Authority Bonds, Series 1998 4.75% to 4.95%	1,035,000	-	(90,000)	945,000
Alpena County Building Authority Bonds, Series 1999 4.20% to 5.60%	650,000	-	(65,000)	585,000
Alpena County Building Authority Bonds, Series 2001 3.50% to 5.00%	895,000	-	(50,000)	845,000
Alpena County Building Authority Bonds, Series 2002 3.50% to 4.50%	715,000	-	(120,000)	595,000
Alpena County Building Authority Commercial Loan 4.40%	-	101,856	(14,309)	87,547
Alpena County Building Authority Intergovernmental Loans				
0.00%	4 705 000	112,500	(9,943)	102,557
	4,795,000	214,356	(684,252)	4,325,104

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Balances Jan 01, 04		Deductions	Balances, Dec 31, 04
Installment Purchase Agreements				
Ford Motor Credit	\$ 46,48	4 \$ -	\$ (22,576)	\$ 23,908
FSG Software		- 21,355	(7,118)	14,237
Government Leasing Company	41,63	4 -	(15,624)	26,010
Government Leasing Company	26,82	0 -	(12,844)	13,976
Government Leasing Company	12,40		(12,404)	-
Government Leasing Company	19,18	0 -	(7,229)	11,951
Government Leasing Company	38,52		(13,129)	25,400
Team Software Group, Inc.	77,62		(27,405)	50,218
Verizon Credit, Inc.	81,93		(16,020)	65,917
Verizon Credit, Inc.	12,47		(9,266)	3,212
Verizon Credit, Inc.	16,96		(3,121)	13,842
Verizon Credit, Inc.	104,97		(21,274)	83,697
	479,02	3 1,355	(168,010)	332,368
Compensated absences	317,07	3 236,249	(317,073)	236,249
Total primary government	\$ 5,591,09	6 \$ 471,960	\$(1,169,335)	\$ 4,893,721
COMPONENT UNITS				
Alpena General Hospital G.O. Improvement Bonds – 1999 4.80% to 4.88%	\$ 6,775,00	0 \$ -	\$ (275,000)	\$ 6,500,000
Alpena General Hospital G.O. Improvement Bonds – 2000 5.00% to 5.35%	5,425,00	0 -	(200,000)	5,225,000
Alpena General Hospital G.O. Improvement Bonds – 2003 3.57%	3,925,00	0 -	(730,000)	3,195,000
Alpena General Hospital Equipment notes payable				
4.27%		- 1,128,035	<u> </u>	1,128,035
	16,125,00	0 1,128,035	(1,205,000)	16,048,035
Compensated absences				
Road Commission	77,03	5 74,059	(77,035)	74,059
Health Department	538,11	•	(538,115)	522,655
=	615,15		(615,150)	596,714
	\$16,740,15	0 \$1,724,749	\$(1,820,150)	\$16,644,749

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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		T KINOII AL							
PRIMARY GO	VERNMENT	COMPONEN	IT UNITS						
				TOTAL					
BONDS				DEBT					
AND	PTO AND	BONDS AND	PTO AND	SERVICE					
LOANS	VACATION	LOANS	VACATION	PAYMENTS					
\$ 944,973	\$ 236,249	\$ 1,441,794	\$ 596,714	\$ 4,150,379					
735,714	-	1,525,799	-	3,095,486					
694,516	-	1,560,198	-	2,990,955					
608,833	-	1,650,005	-	2,896,308					
332,829	-	845,239	-	1,720,962					
1,110,607	-	3,475,000	-	6,609,169					
		4 470 000							
230,000	-		-	5,608,841					
<u> </u>		1,100,000		1,142,831					
\$ 4,657,472	\$ 236,249	\$ 16,048,035	\$ 596,714	\$ 28,214,931					
	BONDS AND LOANS \$ 944,973 735,714 694,516 608,833 332,829 1,110,607 230,000	AND VACATION  \$ 944,973 \$ 236,249  735,714 - 694,516 - 608,833 - 332,829 -  1,110,607 - 230,000	BONDS AND LOANS  \$ 944,973  \$ 236,249  \$ 1,441,794  735,714  - 1,525,799  694,516 - 1,560,198  608,833 - 1,650,005  332,829  1,110,607 - 3,475,000  230,000 - 4,450,000  - 1,100,000	BONDS AND LOANS         PTO AND VACATION         BONDS AND LOANS         PTO AND VACATION           \$ 944,973         \$ 236,249         \$ 1,441,794         \$ 596,714           735,714         -         1,525,799         -           694,516         -         1,560,198         -           608,833         -         1,650,005         -           332,829         -         845,239         -           1,110,607         -         3,475,000         -           230,000         -         4,450,000         -           -         -         1,100,000         -					

The Water and Sewage Bonds are contractual obligations with Alpena Township. These bonds are secured by special assessments levied against benefiting real property within these districts.

On December 1, 1992 the County of Alpena, on behalf of the Hospital, issued \$13,135,000 in refunding bonds for the purpose of advance refunding the \$13,020,000 outstanding principal of the General Obligation Hospital Improvement Refunding Bonds, dated June 1, 1985. The County has agreed to levy annually an ad valorem tax on the real property in the County to be used, together with the Hospital's contribution, for payment of debt service. The 1992 Refunding Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity in 2002.

On March 1, 1998 the County of Alpena on behalf of the Alpena County Building Authority, issued \$1,360,000 in refunding bonds for the purpose of advance refunding the \$1,260,000 outstanding principal of the 1991 Building Authority Bonds, dated January 1, 1992. The proceeds of the 1998 issue are to be used to purchase obligations of the United States of America, the proceeds of such Government Obligations, together with the earnings will be used to pay principal and interest on the Refunded Bonds. The 1998 Refunding Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity in 2006. As a result of the Bond Refunding the County experienced a net reduction in debt service payments of \$48,770.

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On January 1, 1994, the County of Alpena, on behalf of the City, issued \$2,705,000 in General Obligation Bonds with an average interest rate of 4.55 percent to advance refund \$2,475,000 of outstanding 1978 Series Bonds with an average interest rate of 6.55 percent. The net proceeds of \$2,608,436 (after payment of \$86,533 in underwriting fees, insurance, and other costs, plus \$10,031 in bond discounts) were used to purchase U.S. government securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the 1978 Series bonds. As a result, the 1978 Series bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability for those bonds has been removed from the general long-term debt account group.

The City advance refunded the 1978 Series bonds to reduce its total debt service payments over the next 15 years by \$173,068 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$130,185.

#### NOTE 9--FUND EQUITY RESERVATIONS AND DESIGNATION.

Of the various funds at December 31, 2004 fund equity reservations and designation are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>		
General Fund		
Replace/acquire building and land reserve	\$	30,000
Roof replacement reserve		20,000
F.I.A. loan reserve		44,000
Technology reserve		1,375
Reserved for pending obligations		42,957
Special Revenue Funds		
Housing Fund		
Reserved for mortgage loans receivable	2	,206,456
Airport		
Designated for maintenance		6,315
Northern Lights Arena		
Designated for capital outlay		4,174
Older persons fund		
Designated for repairs and replacement		42,937
Parks		
Designated for wood harvesting		60,000
Debt Service Funds		
Designated for debt service		138,703
Capital Projects Funds		
Designated for capital outlay		138,053
Component Units		
Road Commission		
Reserved for primary road expenditures	1	,934,250
Alpena General Hospital		. , -
Reserved for donor restrictions	1	,767,003
		, - ,

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **NOTE 10--PROPERTY TAXES.**

The County's property tax is levied and due each December 1 based on the taxable value determined as of December 31 of the preceding year for all taxable real and personal property located in the County. On December 1, the property tax attachment is an enforceable lien on the property and is payable, without penalty, by the 14th of the following February. Taxable values are established annually by the County Assessor. Beginning with the 1995 tax year, State Proposal "A" changed the way property taxes were computed. Under Proposal "A", the County Assessor determines the assessed value of a property, which is 50% of the current market value. However, the taxable value of a property cannot increase more than 5% or the rate of inflation annually, whichever is less. Therefore, over time, the taxable value will normally be less than the assessed value. However, when a property is sold, the accumulated effect of the above capping is erased and the assessed value constitutes the basis (taxable value) for the next property tax cycle.

Real and personal property in the County for the 2004 levy was assessed at true cash value of \$2,047,137,563 with a taxable value of \$1,052,100,279. The County general operating rate is currently 4.8275 mills (limited to 15 mills) with an additional .9863, .7500, .9000, and .5424 mills voted for the Hospital, Library, Ambulance, and Older Persons. These amounts are recognized in the respective General, Special Revenue and Debt Service Fund financial statements as taxes receivable, with an offsetting credit to unearned revenue.

Public Act 357 of 2004 provides a funding mechanism to serve as a substitute to state revenue sharing paid to counties. Beginning in 2005 a shift of county property tax millage from a winter tax levy to a summer tax levy will occur. In addition, the Act required the establishment of the Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund. Property taxes are recognized in the financial statements as taxes receivable and property tax revenue in 2004.

By agreement with various taxing authorities, the County purchases at face value the real property taxes receivable returned delinquent each March 1. These receivables, together with interest and administration fees collected, are paid to the County's Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund, which advanced the money used to liquidate amounts due the General Fund, various other funds, other governmental units, and to provide funds for current operations. Taxes receivable of \$1,921,483 at March 1, 2005 and \$1,825,157 at March 1, 2004, were purchased by the County using the cash reserves of its Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund.

#### NOTE 11--DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN.

Alpena County offers all its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code, Section 457. The assets of the plans were held in trust, (custodial account annuity contract) as described in IRC Section 457(g) for the exclusive benefit of the participants (employees) and their beneficiaries. The custodian thereof for the exclusive benefit of the participants holds the custodial account for the beneficiaries of this Section 457 plan, and the assets may not be diverted to any other use. The administrators are agents of the employer (Alpena County) for the purposes of providing direction to the custodian of the custodial account from time to time for the investment of the funds held in the account, transfer of assets to or from the account and all other matters. In accordance with the provision of GASB Statement No. 32, plan balances and activities are not reflected in the Alpena County financial statements.

#### NOTE 12--EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT AND BENEFIT SYSTEMS.

### **Description of Retirement Plan and Plan Assets**

The County is in an agent multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS), administered by the State of Michigan. The system provides the following provisions: normal retirement, deferred retirement, service retirement allowance, disability retirement allowance, nonduty-connected death and postretirement adjustments to plan members and their beneficiaries. The service requirement is computed using credited service at the time of termination of membership multiplied by the sum of 2.00 to 2.50 percent times the final average compensation (FAC) with a maximum benefit of 80 percent of FAC. The most recent period for which actuarial data was available was for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002.

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MERS was organized pursuant to Section 12a of Act #156, Public Acts of 1851 (MSA 5.333(a); MCLA 46.12(a)), as amended, State of Michigan. MERS is regulated under Act No. 427 of the Public Acts of 1984, sections of which have been approved by the State Pension Commission. MERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the system. That report may be obtained by writing to the MERS at 447 North Canal Street, Lansing, Michigan 48917-9755.

#### **Funding Policy**

The obligation to contribute to and maintain the system for these employees was established by negotiation with the County's competitive bargaining unit and personnel policy, which does not require employees to contribute to the plan. The County is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate; the current rate was 13.41 percent at December 31, 2003.

### **Annual Pension Cost**

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, the County's contributions totaling \$381,216 were made in accordance with contribution requirement determined by an actuarial valuation of the plan as of December 31, 1998. The employer contribution rate has been determined based on the entry age normal funding method. Under the entry age normal cost funding method, the total employer contribution is comprised of the normal cost plus the level annual percentage of payroll payment required to amortize the unfunded actuarial accrued liability over 30 years. The employer normal cost is, for each employee, the level percentage of payroll contribution (from entry age to retirement) required to accumulate sufficient assets at the member's retirement to pay for his projected benefit. Significant actuarial assumptions used include a long-term investment yield rate of 8 percent and annual salary increases of 4.5% percent based on an age-related scale to reflect merit, longevity, and promotional salary increases.

### Three Year Trend Information for GASB Statement No. 27

Year Ended December 31	Р	Annual Pension ost (APC)	Percentage of APC Contributed	Net Pension Obligation		
2001 2002 2002	\$	339,566 374,947 380,972	100% 100% 100%	\$	0 0 0	

# Required Supplementary Information for GASB Statement No. 27

		Actuarial				UAAL as a
Actuarial	Actuarial	Accrued	Underfunded			Percent of
Valuation	Value of	Liability	AAL	Funded	Covered	Covered
Date	Assets	(AAL)	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Payroll
					-	
12/31/01	\$ 7,698,909	\$ 9,295,890	\$ 1,596,981	82.8%	\$ 3,163,042	50.4%
12/31/02	7,999,896	10,567,336	2,567,440	75.0%	3,296,589	78.0%
12/31/03	8,655,573	11,069,544	2,413,971	78.0%	3,362,727	72.0%

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Component Unit Retirement Disclosures**

The Alpena County Road Commission and the District Health Department No. 4 participate in the Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement System, a multiple employer defined benefit pension plan, administered by the State of Michigan. The following table presents the relevant information for each plan:

	Actuarial Accrued <u>Liability</u>	Actuarial Value of Assets
Alpena County Road Commission	\$ 7,764,676	\$ 7,127,445
District Health Department No. 4	9,793,896	7,785,915

**Postretirement Benefits.** The County of Alpena offers no postemployment benefits to its retirees. However, retirees can continue coverage with the County's health care insurance at their own expense.

#### NOTE 13--CONTINGENCIES, CLAIMS, AND LITIGATION.

There are various legal actions pending against the County. Due to the inconclusive nature of these actions, it is not possible for the County to determine the probable outcome of these actions nor provide a reasonable estimate of the County's potential liability, if any. The County believes that it has sufficient insurance coverage to provide for possible losses resulting from the unfavorable outcome of any litigation.

#### **NOTE 14--RISK MANAGEMENT.**

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors, and omissions, employee injuries, unemployment benefits, as well as medical and workman's compensation benefits provided to employees. The County has purchased commercial insurance for fleet equipment and tort claims, boiler and machinery, certain property and equipment damage and theft, employee theft, and limited tort claims for specific County facilities or events.

Settled claims for the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of coverage in any of the past three years. There was no reduction in coverages obtained through commercial insurance during the past year. The County pays unemployment claims on a reimbursement basis.

#### **NOTE 15--JOINT VENTURES.**

In February 1998, the County of Alpena joined Montmorency County and Oscoda County in creating the *Montmorency-Oscoda-Alpena Solid Waste Management Authority* in accordance of Act No. 223 of the Public Acts of 1955 of the State of Michigan.

This authority manages a landfill located in Montmorency County and is governed by a six person board, with two representatives for each county.

Annually each County has been asked to use their annual financial statements to assure the unfunded portion of the Closure and Post Closure cost. That Closure cost balance on December 31, 2004 is \$3,260,937, with certificates of deposit and other investments amounting to \$1,804,911 of that balance.

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The County has no significant influence over the management of the authority and that is why they are not included in the County's Annual financial report.

The County Treasurer maintains the financial records at the Montmorency County Court House and the office number is 989-785-8086.

In January 2000, the County joined Montmorency County in forming the North East *Michigan Recycling Alliance Authority*, under Act No. 223 of the Public Acts of 1955 of the State of Michigan.

The authority manages a transfer station and recycling facility on West M-32 in Wilson Township in Alpena County. It is governed by a six person board, with three representatives from each County.

The County has no significance influence over the management of the authority and that is why they are not included in the County's Annual financial report.

Its legal office is the Treasurer's Office in Montmorency County, but its financial office is located at the Alpena Soil Conservation District Office located at 1900 W. M-32, Alpena, Michigan and the office number if 989-356-6038.

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL MAJOR FUNDS

	Budgeted Original	I Amounts Final	Actual Amount	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
General Fund				
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004 Resources (inflows):	\$ 1,217,935	\$ 1,217,935	\$ 1,217,935	\$ -
Taxes	3,744,010	3,728,907	3,729,305	398
Licenses and permits	20,450	21,050	21,181	131
Federal grants	66,138	387,992	100,058	(287,934)
State grants	1,422,382	1,297,930	1,291,449	(6,481)
Charges for service	1,306,454	1,170,396	1,174,672	4,276
Fines and forfeitures	100,500	84,800	84,859	59
Interest and rents	47,000	50,600	50,649	49
Other revenue	658,020	637,228	599,020	(38,208)
Operating transfers from other funds	286,788	379,244	376,769	(2,475)
Amounts available for appropriation	8,869,677	8,976,082	8,645,897	(330,185)
EXPENDITURES				
Legislative	181,884	177,459	170,144	7,315
Judicial	1,383,394	1,347,137	1,340,933	6,204
General government	2,795,880	2,885,305	2,833,869	51,436
Public safety	1,962,663	2,306,887	1,984,372	322,515
Public works	985	985	666	319
Health and welfare	341,195	379,416	365,643	13,773
Community and economic development	17,053	18,113	17,725	388
Other	355,338	317,951	316,952	999
Operating transfers to other funds	662,611	660,054	660,054	
Total charges to appropriations	7,701,003	8,093,307	7,690,358	402,949
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 1,168,674	\$ 882,775	\$ 955,539	\$ 72,764

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL MAJOR FUNDS

	Budgeted Amounts			Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable		
		Original	Final		 Amount	(Ur	nfavorable)
Airport Fund							
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004 Resources (inflows): Property taxes	\$	16,959	\$	16,959	\$ 16,959	\$	-
Federal grants		97,500		825,821	785,821		-
State grants		14,000		14,000	17,667		3,667
Charges for service		92,000		92,000	94,793		2,793
Interest and rents		161,780		157,780	148,471		(9,309)
Other		41,723		43,494	21,101		-
Operating transfers from other funds		13,172		32,943	 47,943		-
Amounts available for appropriation		423,962		1,150,054	 1,132,755		(2,849)
EXPENDITURES							
Recreation and cultural		439,121		1,150,054	 1,122,808		27,246
Total charges to appropriations		439,121		1,150,054	1,122,808		27,246
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$	(15,159)	\$	-	\$ 9,947	\$	24,397
Ambulance Fund							
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004 Resources (inflows):	\$	16,959	\$	16,959	\$ 729,302	\$	-
Property taxes		747,217		684,287	681,433		-
Federal grants		60,000		60,000	57,896		-
State grants		17,618		16,118	15,242		(876)
Interest and rents		6,500		6,500	10,972		4,472
Other		50		50	 285		-
Amounts available for appropriation		848,344		783,914	 1,495,130		3,596
EXPENDITURES							
Public safety		804,211		854,203	 692,767		161,436
Total charges to appropriations		804,211		854,203	 692,767		161,436
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$	44,133	\$	(70,289)	\$ 802,363	\$	165,032

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL MAJOR FUNDS

		d Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable	
	Original	Final	Amount	(Unfavorable)	
Housing Fund					
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004 Resources (inflows):	\$ 140,255	\$ 140,255	\$ 140,255	\$ -	
Federal grants	100,000	100,000	75,000	(25,000)	
Charges for service	140,000	140,000	125,224	(14,776)	
Interest and rents	5,000	5,000	-	(5,000)	
Other		<u> </u>	23,375	23,375	
Amounts available for appropriation	385,255	385,255	363,854	(21,401)	
EXPENDITURES					
Health and welfare	217,673	385,255	307,497	77,758	
	-				
Total charges to appropriations	217,673	385,255	307,497	77,758	
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 167,582	\$ -	\$ 56,357	\$ 56,357	
Library					
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004 Resources (inflows):	\$ 229,950	\$ 229,950	\$ 229,950	\$ -	
Property taxes	567,101	567,101	558,111	(8,990)	
State grants	34,808	34,808	48,155	13,347	
Charges for services	16,500	16,500	19,515	3,015	
Fines and forfeitures	155,000	155,000	169,942	14,942	
Interest and rents	8,000	8,000	5,455	(2,545)	
Other	53,304	53,304	136,266	82,962	
Amounts available for appropriation	1,064,663	1,064,663	1,167,394	102,731	
EXPENDITURES					
Recreation and culture	1,015,213	1,021,313	825,287	196,026	
Total charges to appropriations	1,015,213	1,021,313	825,287	196,026	
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 49,450	\$ 43,350	\$ 342,107	\$ 298,757	

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL MAJOR FUNDS

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final				Actual Amount		Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenue Sharing Reserve								
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Property taxes				1,067,671		1,067,671		
Amounts available for appropriation				1,067,671		1,067,671		
EXPENDITURES Operating transfers to other funds				237,430		237,430		<u>-</u>
Total charges to appropriations				237,430		237,430		
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$		\$	830,241	\$	830,241	\$	
Alpena General Hospital Capital Project								
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004	\$ 2	2,187	\$	2,187	\$	2,187	\$	-
Property taxes State grants Other		3,347 9,400 <u>-</u>		753,347 17,708		750,796 16,748 3,814		(2,551) (960) 3,814
Amounts available for appropriation	774	1,934		773,242		773,545		303
EXPENDITURES  Health and welfare	771	,005		771,168		770,394		774
Total charges to appropriations	771	,005		771,168		770,394		774
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 3	3,929	\$	2,074	\$	3,151	\$	1,077

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL MAJOR FUNDS

Building Authority Capital Project	Budgeted Original	Amounts Final	Actual Amount	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Budgetary fund balance, January 1, 2004	\$ 823,526	\$ 823,526	\$ 823,526	\$ -
State grants	-	-	50,000	50,000
Interest and rents Donations	1,000 867,000	1,000 867,000	4,007 60,215	3,007 (806,785)
Amounts available for appropriation	1,691,526	1,691,526	937,748	(753,778)
EXPENDITURES				
Recreation and culture	866,000	866,000	932,751	(66,751)
Total charges to appropriations	866,000	866,000	932,751	(66,751)
Budgetary fund balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 825,526	\$ 825,526	\$ 4,997	\$ (820,529)

# General Fund

# **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

	December 31						
		2004	2003				
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	484,929	\$	453,804			
Investments Receivables		307,746		547,953			
Taxes		3,203,014		3,075,966			
Interest and accounts receivable		1,051		24,428			
Due from other governmental units		113,347		219,216			
Due from other funds		912,837		696,046			
Total assets	\$	5,022,924	\$	5,017,413			
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Accounts payable	\$	120,941	\$	45,079			
Accrued payroll and withholdings		90,714		69,888			
Deferred revenue		3,844,235		3,684,511			
Total liabilities		4,055,890		3,799,478			
Fund Balances							
Unreserved							
Designated		138,332		138,332			
Undesignated		828,702		1,079,603			
Total fund balance		967,034		1,217,935			
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	5,022,924	\$	5,017,413			

## General Fund

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		nded December 3	1, 2004 Actual	2002
	Budgeted Original	Amended	Actual	2003 Actual
REVENUES	Original	Amended	Amounts	Actual
TAXES				
Property Taxes	\$ 3,691,010	\$ 3,675,200	\$ 3,675,510	\$ 3,578,468
Others	53,000	53,707	53,795	54,028
	3,744,010	3,728,907	3,729,305	3,632,496
LICENSES AND PERMITS				
Licenses and Permits	20,450	21,050	21,181	19,413
FEDERAL GRANTS				
IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement	46,138	46,138	43,382	36,636
Emergency Management	11,000	11,700	11,795	11,034
Community Emergency Response	-	71,675	-	-
Homeland Security	-	196,029	8,038	-
Solution Area Planner	-	34,000	15,692	-
W.M.D. Exercise	9,000	28,450	21,151	-
D.A.R.E.	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	22,000
	66,138	387,992	100,058	69,670
STATE GRANTS				
Single Business Tax	86,665	81,960	81,960	97,853
State Income Tax	510,000	365,316	365,316	531,225
Judicial Payments	133,294	152,594	152,624	147,846
Probate Court	94,195	101,595	101,689	101,633
State Court Fund	185,843	208,861	208,861	194,956
Secondary Road Patrol	80,089	80,089	80,089	68,546
Parent Education	32,616	8,347	8,347	27,292
Liquor and Convention Facilities Tax	131,520	129,156	129,156	127,542
Cigarette Tax	40,106	18,006	18,006	64,058
State Survey and Remonumentation	40,442	53,062	53,062	42,167
Victims Rights	42,600	35,700	35,773	24,719
D.N.R. Safety	19,620	11,420	11,504	14,921
Household Hazardous Waste Collection	-	29,060	29,158	13,008
Others	25,392	22,764	15,904	26,685
	1,422,382	1,297,930	1,291,449	1,482,451

## General Fund

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - continued

		nded December 3 Amounts	1, 2004 Actual	2003
	Original	Amended	Amounts	Actual
REVENUES - continued				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
District Court	\$ 396,000	\$ 353,400	\$ 353,509	\$ 367,298
Circuit Court	110,300	85,800	86,378	87,887
Friend of the Court	150,000	115,000	117,606	-
Probate Court	18,200	16,700	16,734	15,235
Probation Enhancement	1,200	1,200	1,206	-
Clerk	55,000	68,100	68,146	57,236
Property Transfer Fees	85,000	92,500	92,576	94,053
Register of Deeds	230,000	213,700	213,794	235,788
Sheriff	226,404	190,518	191,040	339,962
Treasurer	12,000	10,200	10,266	11,567
Others	22,350	23,278	23,417	17,078
	1,306,454	1,170,396	1,174,672	1,226,104
FINES AND FORFEITURES	100,500	84,800	84,859	98,171
INTEREST AND RENTS				
Interest Earned	45,000	47,100	47,149	41,520
Rents	2,000	3,500	3,500	87,977
	47,000	50,600	50,649	129,497
OTHER REVENUE				
Central Service Reimbursements	245,037	124,185	124,260	15,800
Reimbursements and Refunds	412,983	513,043	474,760	481,237
	658,020	637,228	599,020	497,037
TOTAL REVENUES	7,364,954	7,378,903	7,051,193	7,154,839
TRANSFERS IN				
Delinquent Tax Payment	265,288	257,744	257,744	274,591
Budget Stabilization	-	100,000	100,000	, · -
Child Care - F.I.A.	1,500	1,500	1,338	_
Family Independence Agency	20,000	20,000	17,687	_
r army independence Agency	286,788	379,244	376,769	274,591
Total revenues and transfers in	7,651,742	7,758,147	7,427,962	7,429,430

## General Fund

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Year E			
		d Amounts	Actual	2003
	Original	Amended	Amounts	Actual
EXPENDITURES				
LEGISLATIVE				
Board of Commissioners	\$ 181,884	\$ 177,459	\$ 170,144	\$ 178,558
JUDICIAL				
District Court	509,873	497,218	495,305	508,232
Circuit Court	367,580	367,580	367,580	359,288
Friend of the Court	111,171	111,171	111,171	147,969
Probate Court	273,043	268,754	265,648	272,576
Probation enhancement	5,000	5,100	5,030	8,589
Public Guardian	26,542	28,129	27,095	26,285
Community Dispute Resolution	25,000	-	-	45,226
Regional Community Correction	-	4,000	3,919	-
Family Division - Juvenile	65,185	65,185	65,185	86,490
B.A.R.J. Initiative				9,996
	1,383,394	1,347,137	1,340,933	1,464,651
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Coordinator	76,652	83,042	81,240	84,970
Elections	42,038	32,241	32,056	605
Board of Canvassers	1,191	981	950	-
County General	65,500	84,250	83,457	61,241
Clerk	202,251	215,043	208,721	201,972
Equalization	207,593	221,504	219,074	205,041
Prosecuting Attorney	336,829	368,702	366,840	344,961
IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement	70,236	62,892	51,234	54,192
Register of Deeds	177,715	183,089	180,933	181,206
State Survey and Remonumentation	40,442	37,262	35,521	39,362
Treasurer	215,142	215,656	208,809	213,360
Building Authority	259,308	259,308	258,788	256,836
Building and Grounds	646,105	673,316	669,082	653,686
Social Services Building	69,239	71,407	70,427	69,358
Drain Commissioner	11,845	13,811	12,654	11,574
MSU Cooperative Extension	75,431	65,625	64,349	72,322
MSU Parent Educator	32,794	6,655	6,652	24,946
Data Processing	265,569	290,521	283,082	263,700
	2,795,880	2,885,305	2,833,869	2,739,332
PUBLIC WORKS				
Department of Public Works	985	985	666	963

## General Fund

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - continued

		nded December 3		
		Amounts	Actual	2003
EXPENDITURES (Continued)	Original	Amended	Amounts	Actual
EXPENDITORES (Continued)				
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Sheriff Department / Jail	\$ 1,625,455	\$ 1,676,813	\$ 1,665,574	\$ 1,619,204
H.U.N.T. Program	27,754	32,418	32,220	27,716
Secondary Road Patrol Program	83,208	76,237	48,211	68,234
D.A.R.E. Progam	-	-	-	27,582
D.N.R. Safety Program	36,873	3,991	3,319	8,492
School Liaison Program	52,791	57,842	54,695	43,076
Victims Rights Services	42,600	50,787	42,083	29,652
Office of Emergency Preparation	52,067	40,021	37,825	43,598
Livestock Damage	100	100	-	-
Ordinance Enforcement Officer	41,815	45,869	43,311	41,020
Community Emergency Response	-	71,675	4,513	-
Solution Area Planner	-	34,000	20,923	-
Exercise Grant	-	21,105	9,955	-
Training Grant	-	37,232	20,156	-
Homeland Security		158,797	1,587	<del></del>
	1,962,663	2,306,887	1,984,372	1,908,574
HEALTH AND WELFARE				
Communicable Disease	700	1,000	891	67
Medical Examiner	43,230	33,830	32,146	48,317
State Institutions-Mental	48,000	47,500	47,215	38,549
District Health	150,000	150,000	150,000	147,554
Northeast Michigan Mental Health	47,368	94,737	94,737	94,737
Veterans Burials	9,750	6,850	6,241	6,820
Veterans Counselor	35,147	38,499	34,413	34,605
MI Department AG-Clean Sweep Project	7,000	7,000	-	3,352
Household Hazardous Waste Collection	-	-	-	42,167
	341,195	379,416	365,643	416,168
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC				
DEVELOPMENT				
Planning Commission	17,053	18,113	17,725	19,353
OTHER CURRENT ORER ATIONS				
OTHER CURRENT OPERATIONS	04.070			
Contingency	64,073	-	-	-
Associations and Community Groups	276,159	299,845	298,943	356,924
Other	15,106	18,106	18,009	23,833
	355,338	317,951	316,952	380,757
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,038,392	7,433,253	7,030,304	7,108,356

## General Fund

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		Budgeted	December 3	1, 200	Actual	2003	
	-	Original	Amended	Amounts		Actual	
TRANSFERS OUT		<u> </u>	 				
Airport	\$	42,943	\$ 47,943	\$	47,943	\$	76,611
Buildings/ grounds maintenance		-	-		-		28,060
Budget stabilization		-	-		-		5,000
Child care - F.I.A.		2,000	2,000		2,000		2,000
Child care - probate		422,899	401,507		401,507		363,782
Equipment fund		126,803	126,803		126,803		139,935
Family independence agency		24,000	24,000		24,000		24,000
Law library		14,011	12,400		12,400		12,427
Parks and Recreation		19,554	10,000		10,000		20,000
Plaza pool		10,401	35,401		35,401		10,341
		662,611	660,054		660,054		682,156
Total expenditures and transfers out		7,701,003	 8,093,307		7,690,358	_	7,790,512
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS (BUDGETARY BASIS)	\$	(49,261)	\$ (335,160)		(262,396)		(361,082)
ADJUSTMENTS							
To adjust revenues for interest and tax accruals and deferrals					108,515		133,391
To adjust expenditures for					(07.020)		F 740
accrual of payables					(97,020)		5,740
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS OVER (UNDER)							
EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS							

# COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

December 31, 2004

	Budget abilization	Child Care F.I.A.	Child Care Probate		Corrections Training	
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables	\$ 118,096 12,432	\$ 660	\$ 95,074 -	\$	6,961 -	
Taxes Interest and accounts receivable	- 8	-	-		-	
Loans	-	-	-		-	
Inventory	-	-	-		-	
Due from other governmental units	-	-	47,778		-	
Due from other funds	 	 	 		-	
	\$ 130,536	\$ 660	\$ 142,852	\$	6,961	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,089	\$	784	
Accrued payroll and withholdings	-	-	-		-	
Due to other funds Advances payable	-	-	-		-	
Deferred revenue	 <u> </u>	 <u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
	 	 	 27,089		784	
Fund equity Fund balances						
Reserved Unreserved	-	-	-		-	
Designated	-	-	-		-	
Undesignated	 130,536	 660	115,763		6,177	
	 130,536	 660	115,763		6,177	
	\$ 130,536	\$ 660	\$ 142,852	\$	6,961	

Criminal Justice		ug Law orcement	E	Enhanced 911		Family Counseling		F.I.A.	<u> </u>	H.U.N.T.
\$ 5,398 -	\$	3,236 -	\$	119,342	\$	61,408 -	\$	71,607 -	\$	178,684 -
- -		- -		- 42,297 -		- -		- -		- - -
- -		- - -		25,063 -		- 45 -		- 13,634 -		5,042 -
\$ 5,398	\$	3,236	\$	186,702	\$	61,453	\$	85,241	\$	183,726
\$ - - - -	\$	1,192 - - - -	\$	7,425 13,730 - -	\$	1,710 - - - -	\$	- - - 62,000	\$	23,988 - - - -
<u>-</u>		1,192		21,155		1,710		62,000		23,988
-		-		-		-		-		-
- 5,398		- 2,044		- 165,547		- 59,743		- 23,241		- 159,738
 5,398		2,044		165,547		59,743		23,241		159,738
\$ 5,398	\$	3,236	\$	186,702	\$	61,453	\$	85,241	\$	183,726

### **COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

		Law		Iorthern		Older	
ASSETS	L	ibrary	Lig	hts Arena	Pe	ersons Act	 Parks
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables	\$	512 -	\$	5,511 -	\$	113,287 -	\$ 134,930 -
Taxes Interest and accounts receivable Loans				- 25,985 -		431,924 175 -	387 -
Inventory Due from other governmental units Due from other funds		- - -		4,913 - -		- - -	 - - -
	\$	512	\$	36,409	\$	545,386	\$ 135,317
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Accounts payable Accrued payroll and withholdings Due to other funds Advances payable Deferred revenue	\$	- - - -	\$	28,381 3,387 - 38,165	\$	17,297 - - - 431,924	\$ - - - -
		<u> </u>		69,933		449,221	 <u>-</u>
Fund equity Fund balances Reserved Unreserved		-		-		-	-
Designated Undesignated		- 512		4,174 (37,698)		42,937 53,228	 60,000 75,317
		512		(33,524)		96,165	 135,317
	\$	512	\$	36,409	\$	545,386	\$ 135,317

Plaza Pool	I	egister of Deeds tomation	Veterans Trust		Building hority Debt	EPA Sewer # 5	Wate	1989 Water / Sewer Bond		EPA Water # 5	
\$ 3,589	\$	25,679	\$ 77	\$	138,703	\$	- \$	-	\$	-	
-		-	-		-		-	-		-	
-		1	-		-		-	-		-	
-		-	-		-		-	-		-	
 <u>-</u>		-	 -		-		- -	-		<u> </u>	
\$ 3,589	\$	25,680	\$ 77	\$	138,703	\$	<u>-</u> \$		\$		
\$ - 1,531	\$	1,724	\$ _	\$	-	\$	- \$	-	\$	-	
-		-	-		-		-	-		-	
 		-	 <u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		- -	<u>-</u>			
 1,531		1,724	 _		-		<u>-</u>	_			
_		-	_		-		-	_		_	
-		-	-		138,703		-	-		-	
 2,058		23,956	 77		400.700		<u>-</u>	<u> </u>			
 2,058		23,956	 77		138,703						
\$ 3,589	\$	25,680	\$ 77	\$	138,703	\$	- \$		\$		

### COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

ASSETS	Alpena Recre		E	quipment	Total Non-Major Governmental Funds
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	_	\$	138,620	\$ 1,221,374
Investments Receivables	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	12,432
Taxes		_		_	431,924
Interest and accounts receivable		_		3	68,856
Loans		-		-	-
Inventory		-		-	4,913
Due from other governmental units  Due from other funds		-		-	91,562
Due from other funds					
	\$		\$	138,623	\$ 1,831,061
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	8,718	\$ 118,308
Accrued payroll and withholdings		-		-	18,648
Due to other funds Advances payable		-		-	100,165
Deferred revenue					431,924
				8,718	669,045
Fund equity					
Fund balances					
Reserved Unreserved		-		-	-
Designated		_		129,905	375,719
Undesignated				-	786,297
				129,905	1,162,016
	\$	_	\$	138,623	\$ 1,831,061

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## COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

	Budget Stabilization	Child Care F.I.A.	Child Care Probate	Criminal Justice
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Licenses and permits	_	-	-	-
Federal grants	_	_	_	_
State grants	_	_	290,394	7,646
Other intergovernmental revenue	_	_	200,001	7,010
Charges for service	_	_	27,692	_
Fines and forfeitures	_	_	21,002	_
Interest and rents	2,340	_	275	_
Other revenue	2,340	_	213	_
Total revenues	2,340		318,361	7,646
Total revenues	2,340		310,301	7,040
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Judicial	_	_	_	_
General government	_	_	_	_
Public safety	_	_	_	2,248
Health and welfare	_	3,142	640,057	2,240
Recreation and cultural	_	5,142	040,037	_
Debt Service	_	-	<del>-</del>	_
Principal	-	-	-	-
Interest	<u>-</u>	2 1 1 2		2 2 4 9
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	3,142	640,057	2,248
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER				
	2.240	(2.442)	(224 606)	F 200
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	2,340	(3,142)	(321,696)	5,398
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds from long-term debt	-	0.740	-	-
Operating transfers in	(400.000)	3,742	401,507	-
Operating transfers (out)	(100,000)	(1,338)	(1,742)	
	(100,000)	2,404	399,765	
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)				
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(97,660)	(738)	78,069	5,398
FUND BALANCES, beginning of the year	228,196	1,398	37,694	
FUND BALANCES, end of the year	\$ 130,536	\$ 660	\$ 115,763	\$ 5,398

cal Law rcement	Orug rcement	E	nhanced 911	amily unseling	F.I.A.		<u>F</u>	H.U.N.T.
\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ - 4,143	\$	-	\$	-
-	-		- -	-		- 255,199		144,053
9,327 -	-		623,782 -	- - -		- 14,266 -		67,371 - -
 -	 - -		1,485 2,707	 - -		- -		652 94,894
 9,327	 <u>-</u>		627,974	 4,143		269,465		306,970
-	-		-	-		-		-
3,150	- 1,192		636,343	-		-		- 318,111
-	-		-	1,710 -		277,064 -		-
-	-		- -	-		-		-
3,150	1,192		636,343	1,710		277,064		318,111
 6,177	 (1,192)		(8,369)	 2,433		(7,599)		(11,141)
_	_		_	_		_		_
 <u>-</u>	 -		<u>-</u>	 - -		24,000 (17,687)		-
 -	 		<del>-</del>	-		6,313		
6,177	(1,192)		(8,369)	2,433		(1,286)		(11,141)
 	 3,236		173,916	 57,310		24,527		170,879
\$ 6,177	\$ 2,044	\$	165,547	\$ 59,743	\$	23,241	\$	159,738

## COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

	Law Library		Northern ghts Arena	Older Persons	Parks
	Library	;	911107110110	 0.001.0	rano
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 422,129	\$ -
Licenses and permits	-		-	-	-
Federal grants	-		-	-	-
State grants	-		-	-	-
Other intergovernmental revenue	-		-	-	-
Charges for service	-		507,736	-	115,625
Fines and forfeitures	3,500		-	-	-
Interest and rents	-		38	3,403	7,175
Other revenue			41,155	 -	 5,876
Total revenues	3,500		548,929	 425,532	 128,676
EXPENDITURES Current					
Judicial	16,464		_	_	_
General government	-		_	_	_
Public safety	_		_	_	_
Health and welfare	_		_	_	_
Recreation and cultural	_		616,979	437,736	104,594
Debt Service			010,070	407,700	104,004
Principal	_		_	_	_
Interest	_		_	_	_
Total expenditures	16,464		616,979	 437,736	 104,594
. 614. 674 6114.166			0.0,0.0	 ,	 ,
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER					
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(12,964)	<u> </u>	(68,050)	 (12,204)	 24,082
OTHER FINANCING COURSES (HOES)					
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from long-term debt	<u>-</u>		-	-	<u>-</u>
Operating transfers in	12,400		-	-	10,000
Operating transfers (out)	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	 	 <u>-</u> _
	12,400			 	 10,000
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)					
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(564)	)	(68,050)	(12,204)	34,082
FUND BALANCES, beginning of the year	1,076		34,526	 108,369	 101,235
FUND BALANCES, end of the year	\$ 512	\$	(33,524)	\$ 96,165	\$ 135,317

 Plaza Pool	Register of Deeds Automatio		Veterans Trust		ding ity Debt	EPA Sewer#		Wate	1989 er / Sewer Bond	EPA Water # 5	
\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
-		-	- 2,541		-		-		-		-
- 76,561	54,9	- Q1	_,o _		-		-		-		-
70,301	34,3	-	-		-		-		-		-
- 3,151	:	33	-	4	25,725	225	,700		132,113		64,550
79,712	55,0	14	2,541	4	25,725	225	,700		132,113		64,550
-	74.0	-	-		-		-		-		-
-	74,9	-	-		-		-		-		-
-		-	3,196		-		-		-		-
114,116		-	-		-		-		-		-
-		-	-		49,252		,000		105,000		50,000
 114,116	74,9		3,196		51,880 01,132		,700 ,700		27,113 132,113		14,550 64,550
114,110	74,5		3,130		01,102		,700		102,110		04,000
 (34,404)	(19,9	55)	(655)	(	75,407)		-				-
-		-	-	2	14,356		-		-		-
35,401		-	-		-		-		-		-
35,401		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	2	14,356						<u> </u>
997	(19,9	55)	(655)	1	38,949		-		-		-
1,061	43,9	11	732		(246)				-		-
\$ 2,058	\$ 23,9	<u> 56</u>	\$ 77	\$ 1	38,703	\$		\$		\$	-

## COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

	Alpena Area Recreation	Equipment	Total Governmental Activities
REVENUES			
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 422,129
Licenses and permits	-	-	4,143
Federal grants	-	-	144,053
State grants	-	-	555,780
Other intergovernmental revenue	-	-	67,371
Charges for service	-	-	1,429,970
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	3,500
Interest and rents	-	1,934	865,423
Other revenue		1,310	149,093
Total revenues		3,244	3,641,462
EXPENDITURES			
Current			
Judicial	_	_	16,464
General government	_	_	74,969
Public safety	-	16,365	977,409
Health and welfare	_	-	925,169
Recreation and cultural	145	-	1,273,570
Debt Service			
Principal	-	168,010	852,262
Interest			239,243
Total expenditures	145	184,375	4,359,086
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER			
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(145)	(181,131)	(717,624)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		04.055	225 744
Proceeds from long-term debt	-	21,355	235,711
Operating transfers in	=	126,803	613,853
Operating transfers (out)		440.450	(120,767)
	<u> </u>	148,158	728,797
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)			
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(145)	(32,973)	11,173
FUND BALANCES, beginning of the year	145	162,878	1,150,843
FUND BALANCES, end of the year	\$ -	\$ 129,905	\$ 1,162,016

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### **COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - FIDUCIARY FUNDS**

ACCETO	Trust and Agency Fund			Library Penal Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,397,661	\$	71,131
Investments		-		-
Interest and accounts receivable	-			-
	\$	1,397,661	\$	71,131
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
Accrued payroll and withholdings	\$	96,124	\$	-
Other liabilities and deposits		55,248		71,131
Due to other governmental units		183,160		-
Due to other funds		1,063,129		-
		1,397,661		71,131
Fund balances		<u> </u>		
	\$	1,397,661	\$	71,131

E	mployee Sick Pay	Totals
\$	219,170	\$ 1,687,962
	14,693	14,693
	14	 14
\$	233,877	\$ 1,702,669
\$	233,877	\$ 330,001
	-	126,379
	-	183,160
		 1,063,129
	233,877	1,702,669
	-	 -
\$	233,877	\$ 1,702,669

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - AGENCY FUNDS

Year Ended December 31, 2004

		Balances lan 01, 04	Additions	ĺ	Deductions		Balances Dec 31, 04
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND						<u> </u>	
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,271,912	\$ 15,860,209	\$	15,734,460	\$	1,397,661
Cacit and cacit equivalents	\$	1,271,912	\$ 15,860,209	\$	15,734,460	\$	1,397,661
LIABILITIES		, , , , -	 		-, - ,		, ,
Payroll withholdings and other Other liabilities and deposits Due to other governmental units Due to other funds	\$	35,507 63,947 166,053 1,006,405	\$ 1,779,379 335,809 8,024,262 11,387,469	\$	1,718,762 344,508 8,007,155 11,330,745	\$	96,124 55,248 183,160 1,063,129
	\$	1,271,912	\$ 21,526,919	\$	21,401,170	\$	1,397,661
LIBRARY PENAL FUND							
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	89,874	\$ 381,459	\$	400,202	\$	71,131
	\$	89,874	\$ 381,459	\$	400,202	\$	71,131
LIABILITIES Other liabilities and deposits	\$	89,874	\$ 154,793	\$	173,536	\$	71,131
·	\$	89,874	\$ 154,793	\$	173,536	\$	71,131
EMPLOYEE SICK PAY FUND	<u> </u>	,	 <del></del>	<u></u>	<del></del>	<u></u>	,
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Interest and accounts receivable	\$	216,084 14,554 7	\$ 3,226 139 14	\$	140 - 7	\$	219,170 14,693 14
	\$	230,645	\$ 3,379	\$	147	\$	233,877
LIABILITIES			 				
Payroll withholdings and other	\$	230,645	\$ 3,232	\$		\$	233,877
	\$	230,645	\$ 3,232	\$	-	\$	233,877

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - AGENCY FUNDS

Year Ended December 31, 2004

TOTALS - ALL AGENCY FUNDS	Balances Jan 01, 04		Additions			Deductions	Balances Dec 31, 04	
ASSETS								
	Φ	4 577 070	Φ	40.044.004	Φ	40 40 4 000	Φ	4 007 000
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,577,870	\$	16,244,894	\$	16,134,802	\$	1,687,962
Investments		14,554		139		-		14,693
Interest and accounts receivable	-	7_	-	14_	-	7_		14_
	\$	1,592,431	\$	16,245,047	\$	16,134,809	\$	1,702,669
LIABILITIES								
Payroll withholdings and other	\$	266,152	\$	1,782,611	\$	1,718,762	\$	330,001
Other liabilities and deposits	•	153,821	•	490,602	•	518,044	•	126,379
Due to other governmental units		166,053		8,024,262		8,007,155		183,160
Due to other funds		1,006,405		11,387,469		11,330,745		1,063,129
Due to other fullus		1,000,403		11,507,409		11,550,745		1,003,129
	\$	1,592,431	\$	21,684,944	\$	21,574,706	\$	1,702,669

### SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

	Interest Rate	Date of Maturity	Principal Payable		Annual Interest Payable	
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT - GOVERNM	MENTAL AC	TIVITIES				
Alpena County Water	7.40%	2005	\$	50,000	\$	10,850
Supply System #5	7.50%	2006		50,000		7,125
Date of Issue: May 1, 1989	7.50%	2007		25,000		4,313
Amount of Issue: \$870,000	7.50%	2008		25,000		2,438
	7.50%	2009		20,000		750
			·	170,000	-	25,476
County of Alpena	7.40%	2005		120,000		19,342
1989 Series G.O. Refunding Bonds	7.45%	2006		75,000		10,463
Date of Issue: May 4, 1989	7.50%	2007		65,000		4,875
Amount of Issue: \$3,005,000				260,000		34,680
Alpena County Sanitary	4.80%	2005		175,000		36,400
Sewage Unlimited Tax	5.00%	2006		175,000		28,000
Refunding Bonds	5.00%	2007		195,000		19,250
Date of Issue: January 12, 1994	5.00%	2008		190,000		9,500
Amount of Issue: \$2,705,000				735,000		93,150
Albana County Building Authority	4.75%	2005		100.000		42 022
Alpena County Building Authority Building Authority Bonds	4.75% 4.75%	2005		100,000 105,000		42,922 38,054
Date of Issue: March 1, 1998	4.75% 4.75%	2006		105,000		33,068
Amount of Issue: \$1,360,000	4.75%	2007		115,000		27,841
, π.ι.οαιπ οι 100αο. ψ 1,000,000	4.75%	2009		120,000		22,260
	4.75%	2010		130,000		16,322
	4.85%	2011		130,000		10,082
	4.95%	2012		140,000		3,465
				945,000		194,014

### SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

	Interest Rate	Date of Maturity	Principal Payable	Annual Interest Payable
Alpena County Building Authority Building Authority Bonds Date of Issue: November 1, 1999 Amount of Issue: \$840,000	4.60% 4.70% 4.85% 5.00% 5.10% 5.20% 5.25% 5.30% 5.40% 5.50% 5.60%	2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015	\$ 65,000 65,000 70,000 80,000 40,000 40,000 40,000 50,000 55,000	25,253 22,027 18,330 15,310 13,250 11,160 9,050 6,910 4,455
Alpena County Building Authority Building Authority Bonds Date of Issue: September 1, 2001 Amount of Issue: \$995,000	3.80% 4.00% 4.10% 4.20% 4.30% 4.40% 4.50% 4.60% 4.80% 4.90% 5.00%	2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016	585,000 55,000 60,000 60,000 70,000 70,000 75,000 80,000 85,000 90,000	13,128 18,083 16,983 15,753 14,493 13,096 11,555 9,980 8,255 6,335 4,375 2,250
Alpena County Building Authority Building Authority Bonds Date of Issue: February 1, 2002 Amount of Issue: \$960,000	3.60% 3.60% 3.90% 4.10% 4.30% 4.40% 4.50%	2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011	845,000 110,000 110,000 95,000 90,000 70,000 60,000 595,000	23,665 19,705 15,745 12,040 0 8,350 0 5,340 0 2,700

### SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT - GOVERNME	Interest Rate ENTAL ACT	Date of Maturity	Principal Payable ntinued)	Annual Interest Payable	
Alpena County Building Authority Commercial bank loan Date of Issue: April 12, 2002 Amount of Issue: \$135,000	4.40% 4.40% 4.40% 4.40% 4.40%	2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010	\$ 15,008 15,668 16,358 17,077 17,829 5,607	\$ 3,852 3,192 2,502 1,783 1,031 247	
Alpena County Building Authority Intergovernmental loan Date of Issue: February 1, 2003 Amount of Issue: \$112,500	0.00%	2005	102,557 102,557	<u>-</u>	
INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMEI Various installment purchase agreements	_	2005 2006 2007 2008	152,408 85,046 63,158 31,756	14,467 6,361 3,004 519 24,351	
Compensated absences	al A athoris	2005	236,249		
Total Primary Government - Government	ai Activities		\$ 4,893,721	\$ 761,669	

## SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

	Interest Rate	Date of Maturity		Principal Payable		Annual Interest Payable		
DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS								
Alpena General Hospital	4.800%	2005	\$	275,000	\$	309,994		
1999 G.O. Improvement Bonds	4.850%	2006		300,000		296,119		
Date of Issue: November 1, 1999 Amount of Issue: \$7,525,000	4.875% 4.875%	2007 2008		300,000		281,531		
Amount of Issue. \$7,525,000	4.875% 4.875%	2008		325,000 325,000		266,297		
	4.875% 4.875%	2009		350,000		250,453 234,000		
	4.875%	2010		375,000		216,328		
	4.875%	2011		375,000		198,047		
	4.875%	2012		400,000		179,156		
	4.875%	2013		425,000		159,047		
	4.875%	2015		450,000		137,719		
	4.875%	2016		475,000		115,172		
	4.875%	2017		500,000		91,406		
	4.875%	2018		525,000		66,422		
	4.875%	2019		550,000		40,219		
	4.875%	2020		550,000		13,406		
				6,500,000		2,855,316		
Alpena General Hospital	5.000%	2005		200,000		269,537		
2000 G.O. Improvement Bonds	5.000%	2006		225,000		259,537		
Date of Issue: May 1, 2000	5.000%	2007		225,000		248,287		
Amount of Issue: \$5,875,000	5.000%	2008		250,000		237,037		
	5.000%	2009		275,000		224,537		
	5.000%	2010		275,000		210,787		
	5.000%	2011		300,000		197,038		
	5.000%	2012		325,000		182,038		
	5.125%	2013		325,000		165,788		
	5.125%	2014		325,000		149,131		
	5.200%	2015		350,000		132,475		
	5.250%	2016		375,000		114,275		
	5.250%	2017		375,000		94,588		
	5.350%	2018		400,000		74,900		
	5.350%	2019		450,000		53,500		
	5.350%	2020		550,000		29,425		
				5,225,000		2,642,880		

## SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

	Interest Rate	Date of Maturity	Principal Payable		Annual Interest Payable	
DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS (continued)						
Alpena General Hospital	3.57%	2005	\$	760,000	\$	114,062
2003 G.O. Improvement Bonds	3.57%	2006		785,000		86,931
Date of Issue: May 1, 2003	3.57%	2007		810,000		58,905
Amount of Issue: \$3,925,000	3.57%	2008		840,000		29,988
				3,195,000		289,886
Alpena General Hospital	4.27%	2005		206,794		44,155
Equipment notes payable	4.27% 4.27%	2005		206,794		35,150
Date of Issue: June 30, 2004	4.27%	2007		215,799		25,751
Amount of Issue: \$1,128,035	4.27%	2008		235,005		15,944
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				1,128,035		126,710
Compensated absences						
Alpena County Road Commission		2005		74,059		-
Health Department		2005		522,655		
				596,714		
Total discretely presented component	units		\$ 1	16,644,749	\$	5,914,792
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May 31, 2005

To the Board of Commissioners County of Alpena Alpena, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the County of Alpena, Michigan for the year ended December 31, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated May 31, 2005. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

## Our Responsibility Under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Government Audit Standards

As stated in our engagement letter dated December 27, 2004, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and are fairly presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance and because we did not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material errors, fraud, or other illegal acts may exist and not be detected by us.

As part of our audit, we considered the County of Alpena's internal control. Such considerations were solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the County of Alpena's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. However, the objective of our tests was not to provide an opinion on compliance with such provisions.

#### **Significant Accounting Policies**

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter, we will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by County of Alpena are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended December 31, 2004. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under professional standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

#### **Accounting Estimates**

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the basic financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. Management's estimate of the useful lives of fixed assets for depreciation purposes is based on historical information and industry estimates. We evaluated the assumptions used to develop depreciation expense in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

#### **Audit Adjustments**

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define an audit adjustment as a proposed correction of the financial statements that, in our judgment, may not have been detected except through our auditing procedures. An audit adjustment may or may not indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the governmental unit's financial reporting process (that is, cause future financial statement to be materially misstated). In our judgment, none of the adjustments we proposed, whether recorded or unrecorded by the County of Alpena, either individually or in the aggregate, indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the County of Alpena's financial reporting process.

#### **Disagreements with Management**

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

#### **Consultations with Other Independent Accountants**

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's basic financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

#### **Issues Discussed Prior to Retention of Independent Auditors**

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the County of Alpena's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

#### **Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit**

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

#### **Reportable Conditions**

Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention, under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operations of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the basic of financial statements. We discovered no reportable conditions that should be reported to management. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters that might be reportable conditions.

**Accumulated Fund Deficits.** The County of Alpena has accumulated fund balance/retained earnings deficits in the Northern Lights Arena Fund (\$33,524).

Public Act 275 of 1980 (MCL 141.921) requires that the County of Alpena file a deficit elimination plan to the Michigan Department of Treasury within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year for each fund that ended the year in a deficit condition. The County of Alpena has not filed the required plan.

#### **Other Matters**

- 1. **Recent Pronouncements.** The Governmental Accounting Standards Board and Michigan Department of Treasury, in its continuing process of updating the accounting principles that all governments must adhere to, has issued the following recent pronouncements that will have an impact on the way the County of Alpena maintains its financial records:
  - A. GASB Statement No. 40 Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures. The deposits and investments of state and local government are exposed to risks that have the potential to result in losses. This statement addresses common deposit and investment risks related to credit risk, concentration of credit risk and interest rate risk. The requirements of this statement are effective for financial statements of the County of Alpena for the year ended December 31, 2005.
  - B. GASB Statement No. 42 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Impairment of Capital Assets and for Insurance Recoveries. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for impairment of capital assets. A capital asset is considered impaired when its service utility has declined significantly and unexpectedly. This Statement also clarifies and establishes accounting requirements for insurance recoveries. The requirements of this statement are effective for financial statements of the County of Alpena for the year ended December 31, 2005.
  - C. GASB Statement No. 45 Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. This statement will require governmental units to record the cost of benefits (such as health insurance, life insurance, etc) in the periods when the related services are received by the employer if these benefits are not provided for through a pension plan. This will require the County to accrue and report an actuarially computed liability for any future postemployment benefit other than pensions. The requirements of this statement are effective for financial statements of the County of Alpena for the year ended December 31, 2008.
  - D. GASB Statement No. 46 Net Assets Restricted by Enabling Legislation. This statement clarifies that a legally enforceable enabling legislation restriction is one that a government is required to disclose the portion of net total assets that is restricted. The requirements of this statement are effective for financial statements of the County of Alpena for the year ended December 31, 2006.

2. **Issues Likely to Impact Local Governmental Units.** Over the past couple of years, and potentially for a few years beyond, the County of Alpena will be impacted by a number of significant financial issues. With the decline in the economy, financial markets, and declining tax collections, local governmental units are likely to see a freeze or reduction in State appropriations. Also, because pension contributions are based upon actuarial assumptions of the pension fund's asset base and earnings, any sustained downturn in the financial markets would most likely require increased contributions. Unrelated to the financial markets, the cost of health insurance premiums will most likely continue rising at double digit rates. Obviously, local governmental units will need to proceed with financial caution in mind.

We with to thank the staff of the County of Alpena for their assistance during the audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Alpena, Michigan Department of Treasury, Management, and others within the governmental unit and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which upon acceptance by County of Alpena, is a matter of public record.

We appreciate the opportunity to serve County of Alpena. If you have any questions, or if we can be of further service, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Straley, Ilsley & Lamp P.C.